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## COLONEL OF THE REGIMENT'S MESSAGE

On December 21, 1988, the Regiment completed its one hundred and fifth year of service to the Crown and Canada. During 1988 new challenges associated with the assumption of its role as part of the Special Service Force, with primary tasking in the Defence of Canada and bilateral responsibilities for the security of the Canada-United States region of NATO, became the principle focus of operational training.

The enthusiastic response to the requirement to develop an airborne reconnaissance capability, the professionalism shown in the Ramshead Cougar Gunnery Competition and the Merritt Trophy Reconnaissance Competition, and the outstanding success in the Skill at Arms Competition all demonstrate that the Dragoon tradition of military excellence is being maintained in undiminished fashion as the rebuilding of the Regiment in Canada continues. All of this was done while fulfilling superbly the responsibilities for providing support to the six militia armoured regiments in Central Militia Area and achieving new standards of performance in the militia.

In noting these contemporary achievements, we must also ensure that we do not forget to maintain our customs and traditions and preserve the record of our past. Through the contributions of serving and former members we have made significant progress to acquiring new and refurbished ceremonial uniforms and have restimulated interest in the Regimental archives and museum projects. Continued financial support and increased efforts from all members of the Regimental family will be required in 1989 and in future years to preserve and display the important part the Dragoons have played in the evolution of Canada and our military heritage.

It is evident that new uncertainties and as yet undefined challenges will confront the Dragoons as the Canadian Forces begin to develop plans for the organization and training of the future army – Army 2002 – as prescribed in the 1987 White Paper on Defence. Much is yet to be decided about our future and difficult situations occur which will affect the Regiment, but I am certain that all members of the Regiment will loyally and effectively contribute to fulfill whatever roles and tasks may be assigned to us. I am certain that the Regimental family, including the members of the RCD Association and extra-regimentally employed Dragoons, will act collectively and individually to provide the maximum support necessary to ensure a bright future for the Regiment.

As the Regiment advances into 1989 and takes up its peacekeeping responsibilities in Cyprus from mid-March to mid-September, we can look forward to even greater achievements in the New Year.

  
G.G. Bell  
Brigadier-General  
Colonel, Royal Canadian Dragoons



## COMMANDING OFFICER'S MESSAGE

At the end of 1988, we should all pause to reflect on the events of the past year, as well as consider the events of the next. The Regiment has had 105 years of reputable service to Canada and its people. The past year has been no exception. This has been our first full year in Canada since our repatriation. We no longer speak of CAT; instead we speak of Ramshead. We no longer speak of Boeselager; instead we speak of Merritt. Fallex is somewhat different, as is the meaning of an RV. These we have learned – and learned well. The transition is now complete and the Regiment has gained considerably from it. Also, those around us have gained as we have clearly shown them a Regiment with "operations in its blood". As professional soldiers we are all better off for it.

The Regimental family has gained tremendously as well. The Regiment and the Association have grown closer over the past year, and the next holds great promise of even closer ties and deeper roots. The RCD is clearly re-establishing its roots. We have also had the unique experience of the marriage of the Colonel of the Regiment, and all Dragoons, wherever they are serving, send congratulations and best wishes for many happy years together to both BGen Bell and Jean, our newest member of the family.

Those of us who serve in the Regiment today are aware of the proud heritage of the Regiment. We were aware of this over the past year as we served in areas such as the Maritimes, Central Canada and north of the Arctic Circle. We will be aware of this next year as we serve in areas as distant as the Mediterranean. As we have served, and as we will serve, we shall always remember that every day is a fine day to be a Dragoon.



M.W. Appleton  
Lieutenant-Colonel  
Commanding Officer



## REGIMENTAL SERGEANT MAJOR'S MESSAGE

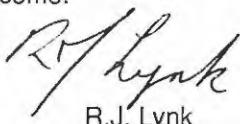
Once again it is my privilege to extend greetings to all Dragoons. 1988 being our 105th birthday, I would like to direct your thoughts to our long and proud Dragoon history – the traditions that are part of that history and to emphasize the importance of those traditions in our day-to-day Regimental life.

The contributions made by those who have so faithfully worn the Springbok during periods of war and peace have provided us with that history and established traditions second to none. They, through self-sacrifice, diligence and devotion to duty and the Regiment have given all serving Dragoons a proud legacy to uphold.

New members are integrated into our family each passing year and it will be through their individual and collective efforts that our heritage will further be developed and new pages will be added to our ever-growing history. We, the members of the Regimental family must cherish and honour this heritage that has been paid for and passed to us by those who have trod this path before. Our task now is to enlarge the heritage and ensure the continuation of its growth.

I ask all Dragoons for their untiring efforts and devotion to help add to the new pages of our history. I would also ask that at all levels we ensure that all new members to our Dragoon family are motivated to the same sense of devotion and diligence to the Regiment that all Dragoons have been so proud to be a part of over the years.

To all retired members of the Dragoon family, I thank you for the heritage you have bestowed on us and ask for your continued support in helping fill any gaps in our history and our ever growing Dragoon Association. Through this means, you are assisting and guaranteeing that your heritage is secure and helping provide the initiative for growth in the years to come.



R.J. Lynk  
Chief Warrant Officer  
Regimental Sergeant Major

# *The Year in Review*



*January — Winter Warfare  
EX LIGHTENING  
STRIKE*



*February — Gun Camp in  
Meaford.*



*March — Ramshead 88  
Preparation.  
— OEl*

**April** — Regimental Gun Camp,  
— Ramshead Competition



**May** — PETCON  
— Ironman/SSF  
Skill-at-Arms  
— Mary Otter



**June** — Merritt Cup  
— Regimental Change of  
Command  
— C Squadron Change of  
Command  
— Adventure Training





**July** — Militia Training  
— Block Leave



**August** — Milcon 88



**September** — EX  
NOTTAWASAGA  
RATTLER  
— Pre-CLC  
— CLC



*October* — Regimental Gun  
Camp  
— OSONS Challenge  
— SARP



*November* — Leliefontein  
— Remembrance  
Day Ceremonies



*December* — Ex SVELTE  
NORDIC  
— ATI Preparation  
— Christmas Leave

A SQN



1000TH CANADIAN BRACBONS

Front row: (L to R): Sgt Mills, Sgt McGee, Sgt Cable, Lt Kearney, Lt Lamshoef, Capt Atkinson, Maj Richards, SSM Mokler, Lt Bassindale, WO Raymond, Sgt Burke, Sgt Madill, Sgt Heisler.

Middle row: (L to R): Sgt Franklin, Tpr Mitchell, Cpl Ward, Tpr MacDonald, Tpr McKenna, MCpl Taylor, Tpr Thibert, Cpl Bartlett, Tpr Lalleur, Tpr Thomas, MCpl Busch, Tpr Davidson, Tpr Forbes, Tpr Maher, Tpr Gagnon, Tpr Parker, Cpl Boudreau, WO Hopkins, MCpl Ward.

Rear row: (L to R): MCpl Bolduc, Cpl Vanderkooy, MCpl Hagan, Tpr Svendsen, Tpr Rodd, Tpr Dignard, Tpr Riddell, Tpr Clark, Tpr Goodall, Tpr Stacey, Tpr Walker, MCpl Gagné, Tpr Diertens, Tpr Lyall, MCpl McTaggart, Cpl Evans, Tpr Martin, Cpl Ingebritson, MCpl Dale, MCpl Lampert, MCpl Jones, Tpr O'Neill, Tpr Eheler, Tpr Brown, Cpl Brabbins, Tpr Potocnik, Tpr Hatfield, Tpr Pellizzari, Tpr Maclare, Tpr Hewitt, Pte Kreller, Tpr McDonald, Tpr Kruger, MCpl Pringle, Cpl Herbst, Cpl Mcleod.

Missing: Capt Earnshaw, Lt Kew, WO Courtney, WO Sloan, Sgt Duke, MCpl Robitaille, MCpl St. Denis, MCpl Fairbairn, Cpl Anderson, Cpl Moreau, Cpl Novodvorsky, Cpl Allan, Tpr Adam, Tpr Clabby.



Nineteen eighty-eight was a busy year for 'A' Squadron.

The year's first major exercise, Lightning Strike 88 took the Squadron to Orillia, Ontario. In minus 25 degree Celsius weather, 'A' Squadron's Cougars moved about freely inside the Orillia city limits conducting armed vehicle patrols, VIP escorts, road blocks and vital point guards around various civilian installations. In true cavalry style, members of 'A' Squadron were quick to grab headlines in the local media. Tpr Eheler assisted local police in arresting three youths for breaking into a local high school. Sgt Cable found an unlocked door to the local marina which contained thousands of dollars in equipment. On our last day in Orillia, 'A' Squadron won the hearts of the town's people with vehicle rides, weapons demonstrations and samples of military cooking. 'A' Squadron shall be remembered by the town of Orillia for a long time.

Next 'A' Squadron deployed to Meaford 16-28 Feb 88 to take part in a Regimental Gun Camp in preparation for Ramshead. Snow squalls, high winds and zero visibility served to test the Squadron's abilities. When the smoke cleared (and snow settled) 'A' Squadron had turned in a strong competitive performance.

Finally, with months of preparations behind us, 'A' Squadron departed on April 12th for Wainwright Alberta with Ramshead 88 crests emblazoned on our jump smocks. Overall 'A' Squadron performed well. Third Troop had the best battle run in the Squadron, and MCpl Ward, Tpr Hillier and Tpr McNeil from call-sign 11C was the best crew in the Regiment.

The hectic month long Petcon held in Petawawa provided 'A' Squadron a good opportunity to conduct refresher and troop training. The Squadron also had the opportunity to work with the RCR, perform night river crossings with Cougars and demonstrate the prowess of armour during the withdrawal.

This year's adventure training took shape as Exercise Rapid Paddle, modelled closely on the pathfinder course. Averaging 30 kilometers a day down the Demoine River the Squadron shot rapids, fished and "really enjoyed themselves." Maj Hall will be remembered, however, for spending a good deal of time looking for his canoe and for his car.



"TOUGH HOMBRES" - 4 Tp on exercise; l to r: Tpr McDonald, Tpr Brown, Tpr Eheler.

After the long, hot days of summer leave, 'A' Squadron under the watchful eye of the new OC, Maj Richards prepared for a busy fall training schedule. The month of August was spent supporting Milcon 88. Then, although faced with a demanding schedule in preparation for Nottawasaga Rattler, 'A' Squadron still managed to muster enough energy to capture the CO's pennant by winning the 8.5 kilometer Regimental Harriers race.

Exercise Nottawasaga Rattler held 12-30 Sep 88 in Borden and Meaford again afforded 'A' Squadron the opportunity to practise its skills. The Squadron was also tasked with supporting Worthington Trophy testing. The annual "Charlie Brown" baseball and golf tournament was held at the beautiful Borden country club. S.A.M. troop won the baseball in sudden death, however the golf tournament was postponed until Cyprus as too many balls were lost in the rough. Highlights from Meaford included the 2 x 10 miles forced march, First Troop capturing top honours in the Squadron skills test and the gruelling 72 hour Squadron exercise.

The Regimental Gun Camp held 17-21 Oct 88 in Petawawa was definitely the high point of the Fallex period. 'A' Squadron conducted static range firing at 'J' range and live battle runs on the moonscape of Area Six. Second Troop came away with top troop and the best crew (Sgt Cable - on loan from SHQ, Tpr Forbes and Tpr Martin) in the Squadron.

'A' Squadron then broke routine and did a little practising for the Leliefontein Sports Day held on November 4th. Many fine performances were turned in, especially by the Tug-O-war team. All in all, the Sports Day allowed the hardworking members of the 'A' Squadron to blow off steam.

No sooner were the celebrations of the Leliefontein weekend over and the Squadron was out on a little adventure training on Corporal-Trooper Day. Under the instruction of the Squadron rappelmasters MCpl Pringle and MCpl Hagan, nervous beginners were soon transformed into confident rappellers.

With batteries recharged, 'A' Squadron looked ahead to a hectic five weeks before Christmas with our main focus on the upcoming Annual Technical Inspections and the approaching festive season.



Swim Camp, May 88.



*"The one that got away",  
Jan. 88.*

*"All Ahead Full - Damn The  
Torpedoes." Helmsman Clabby,  
Stoker McNeil and Captain "Bligh"  
Burke out for a shakedown cruise,  
May 88.*



*L to R: MCpl Dale looks "very  
impressed" as Sgt "Rambo" Cable,  
MCpl Wadden and Capt. "Stoner"  
Atkinson make a quick battle dam-  
age assessment.*

*Sgt Heisler, WO Courtney and Sgt McGee show Lt "Skeeter" Bassindale how First Aid was done in the "good old days", Sep. 88.*



*The combat medic, MCpl Hagan, and his trusty side-kick, Tpr "Freddie" Kruger, loaded for (Soviet) BEAR, Sep. 88.*

*The "BMI" champs winning the Leliefontein Tug-of-War competition, Nov. 88.*





B SQN





Front row: (L to R): Sgt O'Quinn, Sgt Lamer, Sgt Miville, Sgt Bevvan, Lt Mitchell, 2Lt King, MWO Ingram, Maj Hutchings, Capt Haindl, Lt Reinprecht, WO Valley, WO Hopkins, WO Cucinelli, Sgt McLellan.

2nd Row: (L to R): Tpr Hall, MCpl Dubé, Tpr Ruiters, MCpl Billinger, MCpl Carberry, MCpl Saltel, Tpr Bamberger, Tpr Vaillancourt, Tpr Gwiazda, Cpl Dissman.

3rd Row: (L to R): Sgt Stearns, Tpr Finlay, Tpr Marentette, Tpr McGregor, Tpr MacUlloch, MCpl Rodrique, MCpl Hartley, MCpl McAuley, Tpr Comeau, MCpl Nunez, Tpr Bailey, MCpl Coombes, Tpr Boulanger, Cpl Belfry, MCpl Dorais, Cpl Plante, Tpr Solomine, Cpl Lucy, MCpl Eldridge, Tpr Rathwell, MCpl Manny, MCpl Connors, Tpr Elliston, Sgt Horne, Tpr Jones, Sgt Tozer.

4th Row: (L to R): Tpr Stein, Tpr Barlow, Tpr Evans, Cpl Hearn, Tpr Lalonde, Tpr Vizino, Cpl Casselman, Tpr Hanrahan, Tpr Aucoin, Cpl Peever, Cpl Waddleton.

5th Row: (L to R): Tpr Smith, Tpr Messer, Cpl Doucette, Tpr Swartman, Tpr Tasnadi, Cpl Wilson, Tpr Canning, Tpr Crowe, Cpl Lessard.

Missing: Capt Kitchen, Lt Angel, MCpl Bourgoain, MCpl Laton, Cpl Crook, Cpl Graham, Cpl Pierce, Tpr Jinks, Tpr Leblanc, Tpr Pierce, Tpr Smith, Tpr Wells.

For Big Bold B Squadron, the year 1988 began with the stark realization that YES, it was definitely winter in Petawawa. The new year of training started with two weeks of winter indoctrination and Exercise. A warm thanks to the Squadron cook, Sgt Smoljanovic "Smiley", for keeping the soup hot. SHQ reported that it wasn't Cpl Stephane Racine who kept their stove lit. It would have been nice to mention Lt Mike Reinprecht and his troop but they were "busy on other means" and had "nothing to report" but temperatures of -72 degrees fahrenheit. After the Squadron had thawed out from the icy freeze of the water treatment plant (or was that five fingers woods?) everyone busied themselves with preparations for the internal security exercise, Lightning Strike.

The move south to the town of Durham from CFTA Meaford began on a downhill note for Captain Haindl and SHQ as they and elements of First Troop tested the bumper car capabilities of the Cougar. Cpl Randy Casselman was seen checking the oil levels with the engine sitting in his lap while Tpr Darrel Joudrey is still trying to collect for his damaged underwear – wasn't it the nurse that ripped them from your body? Suffering only minor casualties the Squadron occupied the town of Durham and began to provide the mayor with "speed and violence". With communications set, barricades and road blocks erected, and roaming patrols and rooftop surveillance arranged, Durham was safe from terrorist attack. After four days of evil plots foiled, rabbit hunters arrested (right MCpl Hartley?), autographs signed, and dog tags and beer steins exchanged, the Squadron returned home confident in its internal security capabilities.

After much preparation, the Squadron once again left the comforts of home for the frozen barrens of Meaford. The February gun camp was the final phase of weeks of intensive gunnery refresher training in Petawawa. The "Debrief until you Drop" gun camp was to prepare for the Armour Corp's coveted Ram's Head Trophy held in April at Camp Wainwright. Ram's Head training included AFV recognition, coaxial MG practice, range estimation, static and troop shoots, and troop battle runs. Other phases of training included Monday evening Rec runs directed by Captain Peter Haindl and WO Fred Valley, and High School public relations visits led by Tpr Robert Huff, "the magic dragon". The gun



*SSM Ingram motivating the troops during Leliefontein Sports Day, Nov. 88.*

camp ended with a mini-competition designed to acquaint the Squadron with the procedure of the Ram's Head competition. Second Troop, led by Lt Reinprecht, proved to be no fluke by hitting the most targets in the Regiment. With the help of "Laser Eye" WO Lambert, First Troop placed first in Range Estimation and AFV Recognition.

After the successful weeks in Meaford, the Squadron confidently returned to Petawawa to continue the maintenance program that would bring it to the ATI. As any good soldier will testify, all is not work as the days of March brought skiing at Calabogie and a week of Squadron leave. The ATI ended with news that B had done very well indeed. A dip of the sabre to the leadership and hard work of Sgt John O'Mara, MCpl Les Coombes, and the B Squadron Maintenance team.

April began with the intense anticipation of the upcoming Ram's Head competition. One final gun camp was set to fine-tune the deadly skills and nervous tension required for the week in Alberta. No one however had expected a C-130 full of falling man targets to cross paths with a live-firing Second Troop, (or for the BC's SH Prac round at maximum elevation aimed at the roof of the KO Lodge in Algonquin Park!)

On 12 April the Squadron headed West with winning intentions. The focus had been set, and many hours spent for one fateful competitive hour. Everyone was ready to get on with the show as the Squadron arrived in the dust bowl known as "Strathcona Land". After a Jacuzzi, barbecue, and a 2200 hrs curfew, the day prior to competition was spent on last minute SOP updates, rule changes, area familiarizations, and vehicle preparations. Of all the moments on Ram's Head the time dedicated to vehicle graffiti ranked with the most memorable. Here's to ya "Frog Buster"!

As SHQ, under the leadership of Major Mark Hutchings, headed into the sunrise, the troops continued with last minute preparations. The competition from all aspects was excellent. The battle runs, static shoots, and static stands tested every C/S abilities and the flexibility of SOP's. Although the RCD finished second (a very respectable position for the first year on Cougars) B Squadron distinguished itself with the highest number of main armament hits in the competition's history and finished third of all the Squadrons competing. Credit to all members of the Squadron and special note to the BC Captain Haindl and the SGWO Gary Lambert. A salute to Second Troop, first in the Regiment and fifth in the competition overall. Well done Lt Reinprecht, Sgt Gary Guerin, MCpl Robert Hartley,



*Tprs Tasnadi and Vizino having a smashing time at the Sqn Sports Day, Sep. 88.*

MCpl Glen Wilmink, their gunners and drivers.

The Squadron deployed on 9 May to the Petawawa training area for three weeks of combined arms exercise. Brigade respect for the Dragoons took another leap after the Regiment placed first in the annual SSF Skill at Arms competition. Congratulations to all, especially to Tpr Robert Stein of B Squadron for his excellent finish in the Ironman competition.

On the 15 May the Squadron deployed for two days of Tp/Sqn training during which the OC ensured that the Troops' armoured skills were at a high standard. The SSM, MWO Bruce Prendergast, and his harbour guides, also confirmed that tanks (Cougars) don't go where the bull rushes grow. On the 17 May, B Squadron again deployed four four days of Combat Team training. The experience allowed all, infantry and armour alike, to realize the importance of mutual support. The exercise provided many opportunities to test the stamina and steel of B Squadron in all phases of war. It was an experience to recall significant events such as the lightning advance and attack led by Major "Guderian" Hutchings, and the night move of First Troop proving that "those who are lost shall be first".

Savoring victory yet again the Squadron returned to Base with visions of Adventure Training dancing in their heads. After some advance preparation, elements of B Squadron headed for destinations Canada wide. Exercise "Shark Bait" put to sea Squadron sailors in Halifax and Victoria while Exercise "Poseidon II" dropped Squadron Scuba Divers in to the depths off the Bruce Peninsula on Lake Huron. Exercise "Rusty Musket" shot Squadron history buffs to military museums and battlefields in Canada and the United States. On return the remainder of June was spent preparing for the Change of Command parade. All members of the Squadron joined the Regiment to bid farewell to LCol Meating and to welcome LCol Appleton.

The peace and calm of the summer months were interrupted when "peace broke out" between Iran and Iraq. As the Vanguard Company of the SSF Immediate Reaction Unit, B Squadron was called out at 1630 hrs on a Friday. Men scrambled from quarters, messes, and public places in search of a place to hide. And yes, Lt Mitchell, it is amazing how the rattle of the master key to rooms in F-16 and 0-19 can turn up soldiers previously not at home. For the two week contribution to the paint program in the "white hole" and the efforts of the packing party, General Douglas sent his commendation to the Regiment for a job well done.

September brought many new faces to the Squadron and high expectations of another top notch outfit. Immediately preparations began for Squadron



Elements of 3 Tp figuring things out.

level training in CFTA Meaford. Exercise Nottawasaga Rattler 88 was signified by the Squadron's task to trial a new testing format for the Militia's highest award, The Worthington Trophy. We suspect that Central Militia Area must have shares in the manufacture of glow sticks!

With business finished in knee deep Muford, the Squadron headed for the more pleasant climes of Borden. The sports day, won fairly by First Troop, highlighted the beginning of the Borden stay. Who could forget the nerve of 2Lt King destroying the designer coveralls of a Field Marshall. Or the dreams of Fourth Troop sinking with the slowest boat in the race. The remaining days of Nottawasaga Rattler 88 were spent focused on individual annual qualification in preparation for Cyprus.

October saw the Squadron back in Petawawa preparing for the fall gun camp which will be remembered for the many questions it raised. What's wrong with live HESH on a battle run? Can WO Mike Wionzek count? Why do Les Corporal Chef francais move only with one arm? Was that Cessna a target? SSM Ingram, "was that a 105 illumination round or a para flare?"

"Well, in case your horse ever gets shot from under you . . ." With those words in mind, the Squadron held a two day conversion and qualification shoot on the newly issued C7. Who organized that night shoot anyway?

November, as always, came in with a bang with the Leliefontein celebrations. The Squadron came up big this year in the Regimental sports day by finishing second only to the Regimental PERI Squadron. Hats off to Tpr Smith for placing first in the Pentathlon and to those in the Chain of Command race for taking top honors. November rounded out with a Squadron public relations trip to Eganville on 11 November. Special mention to the BC Captain Dave Kitchen and Lieutenant Mike Mitchell for a job well done. The remainder of November and December were spent preparing for ATI, and with further individual training in preparation for Cyprus.

Yes indeed it was a busy and successful year for B Squadron. A heartfelt thanks to Major Hutchings who stood the helm for two successive years. And so long to the Squadron SQ, WO Ray Brideau for his long, dedicated service. Well, its off to Cyprus for most of us where we'll spread out talent throughout the Regiment. So stay tuned for next year's "Springbok" and those hot stories of the Dragoon Cyprus Summer Tour.



A Sqn Sports Day can be a messy business, Sep. 88.



*Sgt McLellan looking for leaks during Swim Camp, May, 88.*



*Remembrance Day in Eganville, Nov. 88.*



*B Sqn Crew Commanders Course, Sep. 88.*



*First Troop ready for Ram's Head, Apr. 88.*

# C SQUADRON - GAGETOWN



**5th Row: (L to R):** Cpl McCormack, Cpl Noel, Tpr Weissbock, Tpr Sigouin, Tpr Andrews, Tpr Christianson, Cpl Faucher, MCpl McCready, Tpr Lussier, MCpl Robichaud, Cpl McCory, Tpr Thorn, Tpr Devos, Tpr Trenholm, Cpl Day, MS Collins, LS Doyle, Tpr Chisholm, Cpl Dickerson.

**4th Row: (L to R):** PO Pollit, Tpr Marrs, Tpr Drew, Cpl Maclean, MCpl Langille, Tpr Richer, Tpr Cormier, Tpr Cormier, Cpl Benson, Tpr Holden, MCpl Savoie, Cpl Hussey, MCpl MacDonald, Tpr Mueller, Cpl Trainor, Tpr Newcombe, Tpr Martin, Tpr Morrison, Tpr Pelletier, MCpl Davey, Sgt Slater.

**3rd Row: (L to R):** Sgt Cook, Tpr Mulholland, Cpl Lavigne, Tpr Atkinson, Cpl Mercer, Cpl Antle, Cpl Dube, Cpl MacKinnon, Tpr Fischer, MCpl Vivier, MCpl Berry, Tpr Pollock, MCpl MacDonald, MCpl Pineo, Tpr Lunn, Pte Cogswell, Cpl Perry, Cpl McMullin, MCpl Thorogood, Tpr Payne, Sgt Bourgeois.

**2nd Row: (L to R):** Sgt Wesley, MCpl Nayel, MCpl Cameron, Cpl Adamson, Tpr MacDonald, Tpr Quilez, Pte Bathauer, Cpl Antonucci, Cpl Demolitor, Tpr Coull, MCpl Desabrais, Cpl Musgrave, Cpl Shaw, Tpr McNeil, Tpr McSorley, Pte Daigle, Tpr Pringle, Tpr Brooks, MCpl Nearing, Sgt Lemelin.

**1st Row: (L to R):** Sgt Cox, WO Dunphy, WO Campbell, MWO Mulholland, Lt Martins, Lt Newton, Capt MacIntyre, Maj Brough, MWO Marshall, Capt Puddister, Lt Bradley, Lt Stewart, WO Howse, WO Moore, WO O'Brien, Sgt Aymar.

C Squadron, Gagetown had another extremely busy year in 1988. The officers and men of the Squadron were kept hopping to fulfill the dual mission of supporting the Combat Training Centre while trying to accomplish Squadron training.

1988 began with preparations and the conduct of the Ordnance Equipment Inspection. High track mileage and the Gagetown terrain ensured maintenance was a constant priority through the year, but the "polish" really is expected for the inspection. When the OEI team arrived in February, the Squadron was ready and received a clean bill of health.

The Squadron's annual gun camp was the main event for February. The SGO, Lt Martins and the SGWO, WO Howse had the crews up to a good standard with two weeks of refresher training and tests before live firing from 22 February to 4 March. The gun camp was an excellent training experience with live infantry/armour battle runs and time and accuracy standards imposed.

Gun camp culminated with an inter-troop competition which was won by Two Troop with Lt Newton and WO O'Brien. The Best Crew was 33C with MCpl Needham, and Tprs Hussey, Bolter and Mulholland.

March saw the departure of ten tanks to support the Armour School's 0Q6A course. Meanwhile a 'half squadron' participated in the Artillery School's live fire Exercise "ROVING FIRE". Concurrently, a Leopard driver course was conducted with top student honours to Tpr McNeil. These new drivers immediately started practising their trade in the spring AOCT Phase III course.

After a short pause, the Squadron deployed with 5 Brigade from 14 May to 16 June for Exercise "MAITRE GUERRIER". The training was first class with combined arms manoeuvre and live fire exercises at the combat team level. Each infantry company within the Brigade took full advantage of the opportunity to work with 'tanks on tracks'.

The month of June was marked by Change of Command ceremonies between the outgoing Commanding Officer, Major Richmond and the incoming, Major Brough.

C Squadron supported another AOCT Phase III in July and wound up the summer course schedule with Exercise "COMMON GROUND" where C Squadron provided the punch and the Armour and Infantry Phase IVs had their final fun before graduation.



"Fun in the Sun" in beautiful Worthington Tank Park.

Most of the Squadron departed for a rest during August except for a stalwart few who either instructed or were students on a Leopard Basic Gunner Course. Tpr McNeil managed to top this course as well. Ten other soldiers completed the Driver Tracked FMC course.

The Squadron deployed 19 September for the first-ever serial of the Combat Team Commanders Course. A one week shake-out was accomplished before we were joined by the thirteen students. The course itself provided some interesting insights into combat team operations mostly resulting from Infantry majors trying to bring their philosophy to the tank corps.

The Squadron devoted the period from 24 October to 10 November to refresher training including small arms, M-72, grenade, Carl Gustav, rebreather, map and compass, NBCW, AFV recognition, rappelling, demolitions and the annual 2 x 10 mile forced march. Training was confirmed with a Squadron Super Soldier competition which was won by Tpr Mercer. He will undoubtedly remember his prize – a trip for two to Acapulco, Mexico. Tpr McNeil finished a close second (a trip to Montreal) and third place was shared by Cpl Antle and Tpr Devos. While this training was occurring, the Squadron provided normal support to AOCT Phase IV followed by the last 0Q6A to be run at the Armour School.

In keeping with Gagetown custom, the Squadron participated in very successful Leliefontein celebrations during late October. C Squadron also sent a small contingent to Petawawa for the Regimental Leliefontein celebrations from 4-6 November. The long bus ride was worth it, with all ranks enjoying the hospitality and comraderie of the Regiment.

November closed out with a Squadron visit to Montreal and Valcartier (Canadian Arsenals and 202 workshop). A highlight was the visit to 202 Workshop where the process of the Leopard rebuild was explained. Amongst the West German panzers were a few C Squadron tanks.

The year came to a close in December with a hugely successful Officer and Senior NCO versus the Men broomball game followed by the Men's Christmas dinner.

1988 was a successful year for C Squadron. The coming year promises to be just as exciting with several new announcements to be made, hopefully including an operational role for the Squadron once more. C Squadron is looking forward to these new challenges.



The BC, Capt MacIntyre overlooking a problem with 34B.

# RECCE SQN





**Front Row:** (L to R): MCpl Brown, Tpr Zulyniak, Cpl Bradshaw, Tpr Lafferriere, Tpr Cunningham, Tpr Heissler, Tpr Gibson, MCpl Evans, Tpr Paintednose, MCpl Kell.

**2nd Row:** (L to R): WO Beaton, 2Lt Loftus, Lt Cotton, Capt Smallwood, MWO Wonderham, Maj Black, Capt Atkins, Lt McCoy, WO Skelding, WO Gosse, WO Austin.

**3rd Row:** (L to R): Tpr Zinck, Tpr Arsenault, Cpl Campbell, Tpr Cartwright, MCpl Robbins, Tpr White, Tpr Puzianoski, Tpr Breckenridge, Tpr Malloy, Cpl Hayes, MCpl Dubbin.

**4th Row:** (L to R): Tpr Webb, Tpr Fenton, Tpr Czech, Tpr Lahaise, Tpr Whitty, Tpr Foster, MCpl Lingley, Tpr Johnson, Tpr Glover, Tpr Biddiscombe, Cpl Clark, Tpr Hand.

**5th Row:** (L to R): Cpl Logan, Cpl Petipas, Cpl Christensen, Tpr Musikov, Tpr Roach, Tpr Cameron, Cpl Teneyck, Cpl Rodden, Tpr Karpik, Cpl Preston, MCpl Dobbin, Tpr Brown, Tpr Young, MCpl Godden.

**6th Row:** (L to R): Tpr Walsh, Tpr Dunster, MCpl Savoie, Tpr Nikal, Tpr Mathewson, Tpr Faubert, MCpl Edwards, Tpr Hamel, Cpl Wyatt, Tpr Buckle, Tpr Borkovic, Tpr Burns.

**7th Row:** (L to R): Tpr Latham, Tpr De La Moth, Cpl Booth, Tpr Batten, Tpr Pichie, MCpl Downey, Tpr Moser, MCpl Young, Tpr Matheson, Cpl Hutchison, Tpr MacArthur, Tpr Millham, Tpr Byrne.

**Standing to the Left (Front to Rear):** Sgt Binzig, Sgt Green, Sgt Weibe, Sgt Desrochers, Sgt Smith.

**Standing to the Right (Front to Rear):** Sgt Ferguson, Sgt Dymond, Sgt Nickerson, Sgt Reid, Sgt Decker, Sgt Dubé, MCpl Welton.

**Absent:** Tpr Crue, MCpl Gascon, MCpl Girard, MCpl Preston, MCpl Train, Cpl Otis, Tpr Malin, Cpl Hart, Tpr Boon, Tpr Bloeman, Tpr Duguay, Cpl Bould, Cpl Crowdus, Tpr Kennedy, Tpr Chamberlain, Sig Purcha, Tpr Desroches, Sig Gralton, Tpr Guthrie, Tpr Kelly.

This past year has seen Recce Squadron proving the adage "time spent in Recce is seldom wasted." 1988 has been a busy year for Recce, one of numerous challenges and many rewards.

January began with Winter Warfare training in preparation for Ex Lightning Strike in which the Squadron spent a week protecting the residents of Collingwood.

Then, after tying HQ Squadron for first place on OEI, everyone prepared for a busy April. It was an action packed month which began with Ex Southern Thrust. This exercise involved half of the Squadron moving by road to meet the remainder who had jumped into Ft Drum, N.Y. for a 5 day exercise with our American counterparts. Upon our return from Ft. Drum, the Squadron conducted a successful Gun Camp which emphasized vehicle and patrol level fire and movement. The month came to a close with Ex Roots Revisited as we mounted bicycles and re-enacted the Regiment's ride from St. Jean to Petawawa (this time in reverse!)

May saw Recce in the wilds of Petawawa for three weeks on Ex Petcon. Petcon was an intensive Pre-Merritt Cup training period dedicated to developing individual recce skills.

June saw the Squadron focussing even more intently on Merritt Cup, the National Reconnaissance Competition involving all regular force recce squadrons as well as troops from each of the Militia Areas. The competition was conducted in Gagetown on 22 June.

July was mostly spent on either leave, RV or involved in supporting OP Vagabond, the UN peace-keeping mission to IRAN/IRAQ.

August brought a change to the Squadron in the form of Major Bob Black, our new OC, who took over from Major Matt Macdonald on the first of the month. August was also the beginning of a new training cycle for the Squadron as Light Track and Pre-CLC courses were run.

In September, Recce ran a Support Trooper Course for the entire Squadron. This was an excellent "Reconnaissance Skill-oriented" course. The course covered a number of disciplines including firing the M72 and Carl Gustav, laying and clearing of mine-fields, booby traps and ambushes. Other topics dealt with were patrolling and OP skills, as well as wire obstacles and road blocks. Of particular interest were the two days spent on the demolitions range with instructors from 2CER. In addition to all of the other courses they organized, first troop also ran an Armoured Airborne Indoctrination Course for the new jumpers in the Squadron. This was a gruelling week long course involving assault river crossings, a 2x10 mile march, unarmed combat, a jungle lane and rappelling from helicopters. The course ended with a helicopter insertion "behind enemy lines" with the intention of liberating a captured Division Commander from a well guarded POW camp. The attack was suc-

cessful and the following morning the survivors of AAIC proudly accepted their Airborne coins from LCol Appleton.

Ex Nottawasaga Rattler had the Squadron in the field from 26 Sept-21 October. This exercise emphasized dismounted tactics in preparation for our upcoming tour in Cyprus. The highlight of the exercise was a 48 hour Squadron Dismounted Exercise which involved long range patrols being inserted behind enemy lines by Chinook. The patrols, composed of two troops, worked all night against the remaining two troops established in an OP line. During Nottawasaga Rattler the Squadron was also involved in trialing the Worthington Cup Militia testing program and made numerous suggestions to better the existing system. During the exercise, there was also an opportunity to conduct mounted operations in cooperation with 427 Tac Hel Squadron who provided a section of Kiowas. The exercise ended with a successful day of firing our crew weapons at Julliet Tower.



*Dropping into Fort Drum, N.Y., during Ex Southern Thrust, Apr. 88.*

The entire Squadron qualified on the C7 in October with Recce receiving the best average score in the Regiment. In November the Squadron settled into garrison routine for a short period in preparation for Ex Svelte Nordique. Leliefontein celebrations occupied the early part of November and once again Recce Squadron won overall honours at Sports Day! The Cyprus slate came out on 10 Nov 88 and we were proud and pleased to hear that Recce Squadron would remain intact and not be disbanded.

To complete the year the Squadron participated in Ex Svelte Nordique, a sovereignty exercise conducted in cooperation with the Canadian Rangers. While in Eskimo Point, NWT, everyone was exposed to the perils of surviving in the Arctic along with giving them an opportunity to do some fishing.

1988 has been a year of challenge and commitment for Recce Squadron, one that has seen us operated in many different climates and environments. We of the Squadron are proud of the accomplishments of the past year and eagerly await the new challenges that 1989 will bring.

**REECE!**



*Combat clerk - Cpl. Otis, Oct. 88.*



*WO Skelding on Ex Southern Thrust "... and then I got disoriented, but I found my own way home . . .", Apr. 88.*



*Tprs Karpik and Young demonstrate how personal camouflage is applied during the AAIC, Sep. 88.*



*Vehicle park - Ex Nottawasaga Rattler, Oct. 88.*



*Sgt Green demonstrates the method of drilling for water in the Arctic during Ex Svelte Nordique, Dec. 88.*



*MCpls Dobbin, Train, Lingley and Young stand in the foreground of some of the Arctic's most "beautiful scenery", Dec. 88.*

HQ SQN



# HEADQUARTERS SQUADRON – 1988 - 89



**Front Row (sitting): (L to R):** MWO Prendergast, Capt Bourgeois (RC), Capt Petit, Lt Moreau, Capt Ward, Maj Hall, SSM Riggs, Capt Thomas, Capt Patch, Capt Hamelin, MWO Pouliot, MWO Breton.

**Front Row (standing): (L to R):** Sgt McNeil, Sgt Muise, Sgt Dreshers, Sgt O'Mara, WO Dion, Sgt Livingstone, Sgt Arvisais, WO Kuhn, Sgt Lawrence, WO Pratt, Sgt Grady.

**2nd Row: (L to R):** Sgt Savoie, WO Shaw, Tpr Lumula, Cpl Dow, Cap Beirnes, Cpl Warburton, Cpl Baltzer, Capl Goudreau, Cpl Rees, MCpl McNutt, Cpl Newman, Cpl Malette, Cpl Lormor, MCpl Lamond, Cpl Roberts, Tpr Prentis, Tpr Pynn, Tpr Lesvosque, Tpr Cook, Cpl Heinrichberg, Tpr Vinkle, Tpr Jones, Cpl Haynes, Cpl Dechamp, Sig Easter Brook, Tpr Cairps, Sig Bellevue, Cpl Evan CJ, MCpl Thompson.

**3rd Row: L to R):** MCpl Nolin, Pte Hague, Cp, Pring, Cpl Khemm, MCpl Allan, Cpl Webber, Cpl Apt, MCpl Wadden, Cpl Stranges, Tpr Feeney, Tpr Spicer, Pte Dupre, MCpl Porter, Cpl Thibedeau, Pte Graveline, MCpl Ledwinka, MCpl Martin, Pte Bergeron, Cpl Bissonette, Cpl Tripp, MCpl Bellier, MCpl Labbe, Tpr Herron, Tpr Morris, MCpl Kennedy, Tpr Lavoie, MCpl Payne.

**4th Row: (L to R):** Pte Huges, MCpl McTaggart, Tpr Crosietere, Cpl Savoie, Pte Pettigrew, Pte Vann, Tpr Ward, Tpr Millier, Tpr Page, Cpl W.D. Owiak, Pte Love, Pte Beauvais, MCpl Smith, Tpr Huff, Tpr Miller, Tpr Mills, MCpl Campbell, Cpl Pegeho.

As another year draws to a finish, HQ Sqn is still supporting, maintaining and driving the Regiment. A year that started out with a bang is finishing with a sonic boom. From Ex Lightning Strike to ATI preparations, the Sqn has not had the time to stop its trucks long enough to clean them.

In January, the Sqn moved lock, stock and wrecker to Borden for Ex Lightning Strike. It proved to be an interesting experience for our members just having returned from Germany to have to work in the cold and snow for the first time.

HQ Sqn then conducted the Regimental gun camp in March as the Cougars prepared for Ram's Head 88.

No sooner had we finished supporting Ram's Head, than the Sqn was on the road again to Petcon.

Upon returning to the hangar lines, posting season was rapidly upon us. Maj S. Moffat left and Maj G.R. Hall assumed command, quickly preparing us for Ex Nottawasaga Rattler.

The Sqn managed to conduct two tactical road move exercises in between supporting the Cougar Squadrons. It was during these



*LCol Meating presents an award to FCS and Wpn Techs for their support to Rams Head 88.*



*LCol Meating inspects Cpl Woermke, Cpl Peats and MCpl Nolin.*

periods that Lt Moreau and his band of cut-throats practiced their infiltration and raiding techniques on the Sqn.

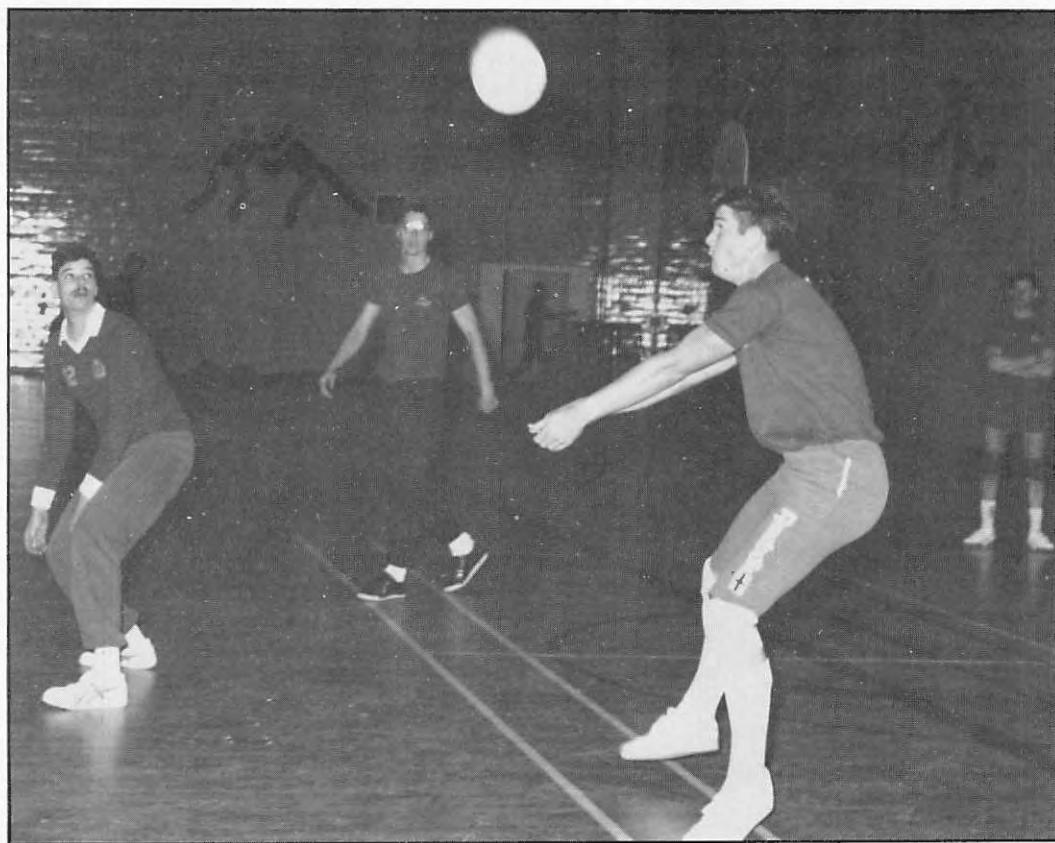
Upon returning to Petawawa, the Sqn was prepared for a long awaited calm period of recuperation. Unfortunately, we are still waiting as gun camp, small arms training and ATI have kept us very busy!!

The annual Leliefontein celebrations in November allowed the Sqn to slow down momentarily and to display our volleyball and soccer skills.

As the end of the year draws quickly to a close, the Sqn is madly maintaining and cleaning our vehicles in preparation for ATI. The past year never really did gear down and, with Cyprus coming on quickly, next year promises to be as busy again. However, as of 16 Dec 88, the Regimental garage, taxi service and shopping mall will close down – at least long enough to allow us to catch our breath.



*You're never safe from  
the "Bear in the Air",  
Sep. 88.*



*Cpl Wdowiak and Pte  
Love demonstrate their  
winning style, Nov. 88.*



# REGIMENTAL HEADQUARTERS



**Front Row: (L to R):** Lt Kearney, Capt Derible, Capt Milne, Maj Sproule, LCol Appleton, CWO Lynk, Capt Ferron, WO Lambert, WO Lagace.

**2nd Row: (L to R):** WO O'Connor, Sgt Schapp, PO Lavis, WO McLaughlin, Sgt Jessome.

**3rd Row: (L to R):** MCpl McConnell, Tpr Banasik, Tpr Stadnyk, Tpr Sison, Cpl Williams, Cpl Talbot, Cpl Woermke, Tpr Joudrey, Cpl Smith, Cpl Abbott, MCpl Talty.

**4th Row: (L to R):** Cpl Tremblay, Cpl Remus, MCpl Brown, MCpl Berry, Tpr Driscoll, Cpl Lacoursiere, Tpr Downie, Tpr Bench, Cpl Bryant, Tpr Wakeling, Tpr Symons, MCpl McAvoy, Tpr Schnurr.

As in past years RHQ once again proved its worth, guiding the Regiment through countless taskings while juggling all types of refresher training. It has not been an easy year for RHQ, but as in the past, all personnel have risen to the occasion, and provided the necessary coordination to enable the efficient completion of tasks that have varied from OP VAGABOND assistance to Regimental Gun Camp support.

With the coming of the new year, all RHQ personnel will focus their attention onto preparation for OEI and most importantly, OP SNOWGOOSE. Time should pass quickly for everyone in RHQ as we eagerly anticipate our new roles in Cyprus.

Although RHQ has been extremely busy there have been humerous times and we look forward to continued service to the Regiment. To all those who have worked so hard in RHQ – thanks!

# The Governor General's Horse Guards

It has been quite a busy year for the Governor General's Horse Guards as the time has come again to reshuffle the lofty Regimental "Headshed", to use a trooper's blunt description. The Regimental Change of Command from the much respected LCol Allan Methven to the new LCol Jeffery Dorfman, took place on 25 September 1988 on the tarmac of Canadian Forces Base Toronto. It was the biggest parade the Regiment has seen this year with so many people in attendance that good seats were hard to come by. In a break with tradition, the Regiment paraded in combat uniform with full fighting order as opposed to the traditional regalia of our Blues. A full troop of Cougars were also on hand, courtesy of The RCD, to emphasize the operational facet of the Regiment and to treat the crowd with an impressive feu de joie. The standard of the Horse Guards flew high and proud as LCol Methven passed on the yoke of command to LCol Dorfman to start off a new training year for the Guards.

Other changes, in the meantime, had already occurred or are to occur shortly to the Regiment. Capt W. Newton from The Royal Canadian Dragoons had joined the Regiment to replace another Dragoon, Capt J. Atkins as the Regimental RSS Officer. Capt Atkins has returned to The RCD Recce Sqn where we wish him the best. More comings and goings are still yet planned for the near future. On 5 February 1989, the Regiment will parade to observe the change of Honourary LCol from LCol H. Tye, a combat veteran who served with the Regiment in WWII, to LCol H. Jackman. Five days later on 10 February 1989, the Regiment will witness the change of Regimental Sergeant-Major from RSM Davidson to RSM Brown. This is truly going to be a year of great change for the Regiment.

The regiment has also undergone a major restructuring within itself. The former training squadron, A Sqn, has been temporarily dissolved and the training of recruits is now carried out by a cadre from B Sqn to improve the efficiency to the Regiment and emphasize the operational nature of an armoured cavalry regiment to the young trainees. And speaking of training, although the summer of 88 was a hot and slow summer for the rest of the world, it was certainly not the case for the Horse Guards. Unit personnel from all ranks were busy training and being trained. A score of eager, young candidates (mostly Horse Guards) graduated from the Summer Youth Employment Program course run by Lt Stecher of the GGHG. The unit went on to produce a number of General Military and Basic Trades (Armour) qualified troopers in the summer months as well as six Master

Warrant Officer qualified NCMs and a number of junior NCMs. Of particular merit was Mcpl Elliot, who finished first in his Combat Leaders Course. The number of eager, young and dynamic junior officers also swelled within the Regiment. Lt Stecher completed her RESO IV phase of training as a course officer. Lt Po successfully completed the gruelling RESO III Armour training phase conducted at CFB Gagetown and won the Domville Trophy for Best Gunner on the Course. OCDT Shek also completed her RESO Phase I and II training at CFB Petawawa during the summer. 2Lt Walsh and 2Lt Hearns both successfully finished their Basic Classification Training in London and Meaford, Ontario before joining 2Lt Spiteri in Meaford to finish BCT III where 2Lt Spiteri finished second on the course. Among the higher ranks, Capt C. Jeffery graduated from the Canadian Land Forces Command and Staff College (MCSC) and Capt Van der Sluis graduated from the ACT phase training over the summer.

The summer was also the time for the annual MILCON which had the Horse Guards providing two Cougar troops in a combined Squadron with the Windsor Regiment to practice troop, squadron and combat team operations. In addition, the Horse Guards sent a full troop, under 2Lt Spiteri to the CMA Operational Troop testing held for all Central Militia Area Armoured Regiments where the troop placed second and MO Yearwood ranked as the top Troop WO in the competition.

The other arms of the Regimental family were quite busy as well this year. The Regimental Band under the auspices of 2Lt Hodgins participated in the Stoney Mountain Tattoo in Georgia, USA and with The RCD in Petawawa for Leliefontein day, performing superbly on both occasions. The proud Regimental Cavalry Squadron also was quite busy participating in the Loblaws Classic Equestrian Competition as well as providing a guard for the Annual Royal Winter Fair. In addition, the Cavalry Squadron has taken the time to move to a new location, or should we say greener pastures.

Among the other things the Regiment is looking forward to in the new year is the possibility of sending six troopers or corporals to Cyprus on UN duties with The RCD and, hopefully, improvements in materials acquisition and militia training.

We in the Horse Guards look forward to the continued close cooperation with our affiliated regiment, The Royal Canadian Dragoons in the future as they have always proven themselves truly dependable and a trusted friend to this Regiment.

# EXERCISE LIGHTNING STRIKE 1988

EXERCISE LIGHTNING STRIKE! The name symbolizes the spirit of the operation. To move in quickly, penetrate and strike hard where and when required. That is exactly what the Royal Canadian Dragoons did in January 1988, when the Regiment deployed to the Barrie, Ontario area to execute one option for a Defence of Canada operation.

The exercise was a Special Service Force mission supported by elements of the Air Transport Group, Fighter Group and 10 Tactical Air Group. With the assistance of these units the Force and in particular The Royal Canadian Dragoons were able to rapidly react to counter enemy insertions, through the employment of both Mechanized and Airmobile Operations.

But who was the enemy? Had the Fantasians shed the security of global peace and launched a special forces assault with their SPETSNAZ troops? Not exactly, but our comrades with the Second Canadian Engineer Regiment made an admirable attempt at depicting the tactics of these troops. They were the enemy, the RED force for the exercise and to this day are remembered for their clandestine operations. Dragoons everywhere were alert to the threat of enemy infiltration, terrorism and potential assassinations. Local security was reinforced to discourage kidnapping attempts. Or was it? After all the disappearance of the odd crew commander is a sure bet for a field promotion.

Sounds exciting? The exact thing we need to



Tpr's O'Keefe, Riddell, Darville, Sgt Cable and WO Beaton of A Sqn get an idea of how the "other half" lives.

motivate men to achieve their potential? It was! But where did we venture on this escapade? What was the extent of our travels? Well this all depends on who you were. Some were fortunate enough to avoid the biting chill of a prolonged road move and were whisked away by a series of C130 Hercules chaulks. Such a concept probably deserves more than a passing glance.



Who are these masked men?

# "WITH THE FORCE OF LIGHTNING"

The aim of this Airmobile operation was to secure the Borden airfield to allow the RCD Battle Group to deploy from a firm base. All arms co-operation was at a pinnacle for this particular task. The operation commenced with an Airborne Platoon parachuting into CFB Borden, fighting for and eventually securing the Borden airfield. With the codeword given for LZ clear, 20 C130 Hercules landed and a select portion of the Battle Group off loaded. Simultaneously other elements of the Dragoons arrived by road and the link up with the Airborne Platoon was complete. With the inevitable co-ordination problems resolved, the tasked Dragoon Troops began to integrate with the local civilian authorities and the Airhead was expanded. In particular the town of Orillia was blessed with A Squadron, Midland overwhelmed by B, Collingwood awed by the determination of Recce Squadron and CFB Borden impressed by HQ Squadron.

Without exception, the soldiers of the RCD were warmly accepted and soon became part of the local Municipal Police Forces, EOD Teams and OPP Detachments. Many of the local civilian authorities grasped the opportunity to exercise some of their own civil emergency plans. Once the enemy troops were brought on line as to the extent the city governments were willing to go, a good time was had by all. Troopers, policemen and firemen alike were continuously challenged countering assassination attempts on key civilian authorities and efforts to dominate vital points. Our motivation towards the mission was most welcome by the Orillia Chief of Police. This was depicted through an incident where Tpr Eheler of A Squadron assisted his Police Force in the prevention of a "break and enter" of a local



*Cpl Brown, (unknown) and Cpl Robins of Recce Sqn help out the local police in Collingwood.*

school. Well done Dave!

In closing, EXERCISE LIGHTENING STRIKE was a success of untold proportion. The Regiment's relations with the participating communities were cemented in friendship and comradery. Although Airmobile was new to many of us we look forward to our next opportunity to STRIKE with the FORCE OF LIGHTNING!



*Let's see the Boss get out of this!*



MCpl Hynds displaying the determination that was required for a winning team.

# Special Service Force Skill at Arms

The word was out prior to PETCON 88 that the Special Service Force was to meet on the Mattawa Plain to decide the fittest unit in the Force. The Dragoons, with only three weeks to hone the varied infantry and general military skills demanded in the competition, began training for the event.

On the day of competition, the teams were fine tuned and ready. Nothing was to stand in our way. The results were as follows:

March and Shoot Team	- 2
Obstacle Course Team	- 2
Iltis Tire Changing Team	- 2
Tug of War Team	- 2
Assault Boat Team	- 5
Trailer Race Team	- 7
Chain of Command Race Team	- 1
Overall Skill at Arms	- 1

At the end of the day we WON. We were undeniably the best trained, best motivated, fittest Regiment in the SSF. To win is great, but to "beat them at their own game . . ."



*The Chain of Command Team collects their trophy from the commander.*



*LCol Meating and RSM Lynk accept the award for the fittest unit in the SSF from BGen Douglas.*

# ADVENTURE



*"Did I say left?! I meant right . . ."*

This year, three of the four Squadrons managed to steal time away from their very hectic schedules to partake of a little adventurous training. The schemes seemed many and varied, however when all was said and done, they all revolved around water – either floating on top of it, swimming under it or biking through it!

A Sqn's Ex Rapid Paddle was a gruelling canoe trip down the Demoine River which was, by all accounts, a test of man and canoe against nature. The rushing rapids claimed their fair share of overturned canoes while the rain ensured that even those who didn't get a dunking had their daily "soak". Averaging 30 kilometres a day meant canoeing from dawn to dusk – a most challenging week.

Under the watchful eye of Lt Derible, Capt Ward and Maj Hutchings, parts of B Sqn departed for the east and west coasts to try their hands at a little blue water sailing on Ex Shark Bait. Another portion of the Sqn went "down under" to Tobermory, Ontario to do a little scuba diving on Ex Poseidon II.

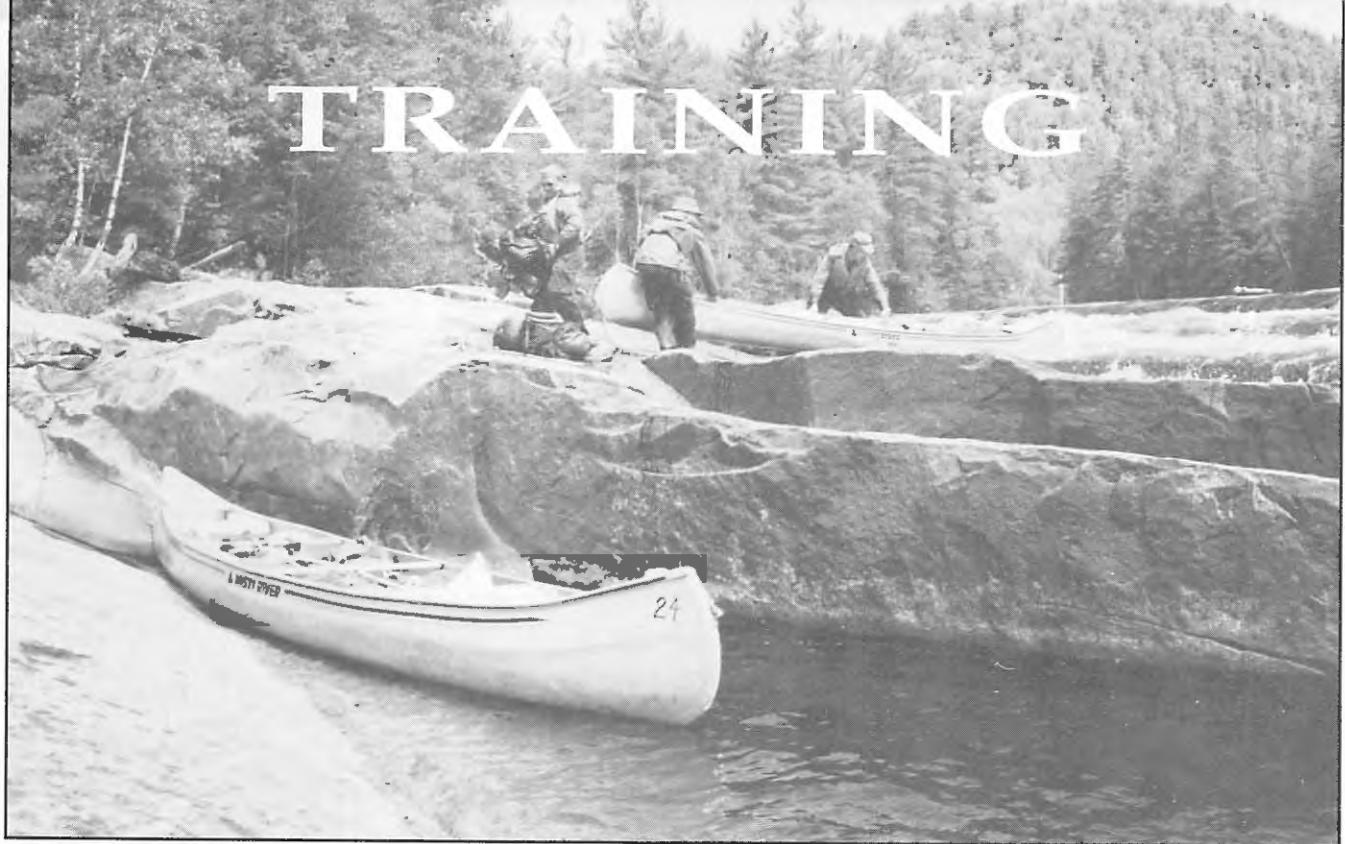
The more adventurous souls of the Sqn visited museums and battlefields in Canada and the US on Ex Rusty Musket.

Recce Sqn mounted their faithful "steeds" on Ex Roots Revisited to re-enact the RCD march from St Jean to Petawawa. The trip took 5 days and, although not each day included cycling, the average day in the saddle was 100 km. Several cultural events were included in the trip, including a tour of the Parliament Buildings and the War Museum, an Expo's game and a visit to the CMR museum.



*"Ever been to sea, Billy?"*

# TRAINING



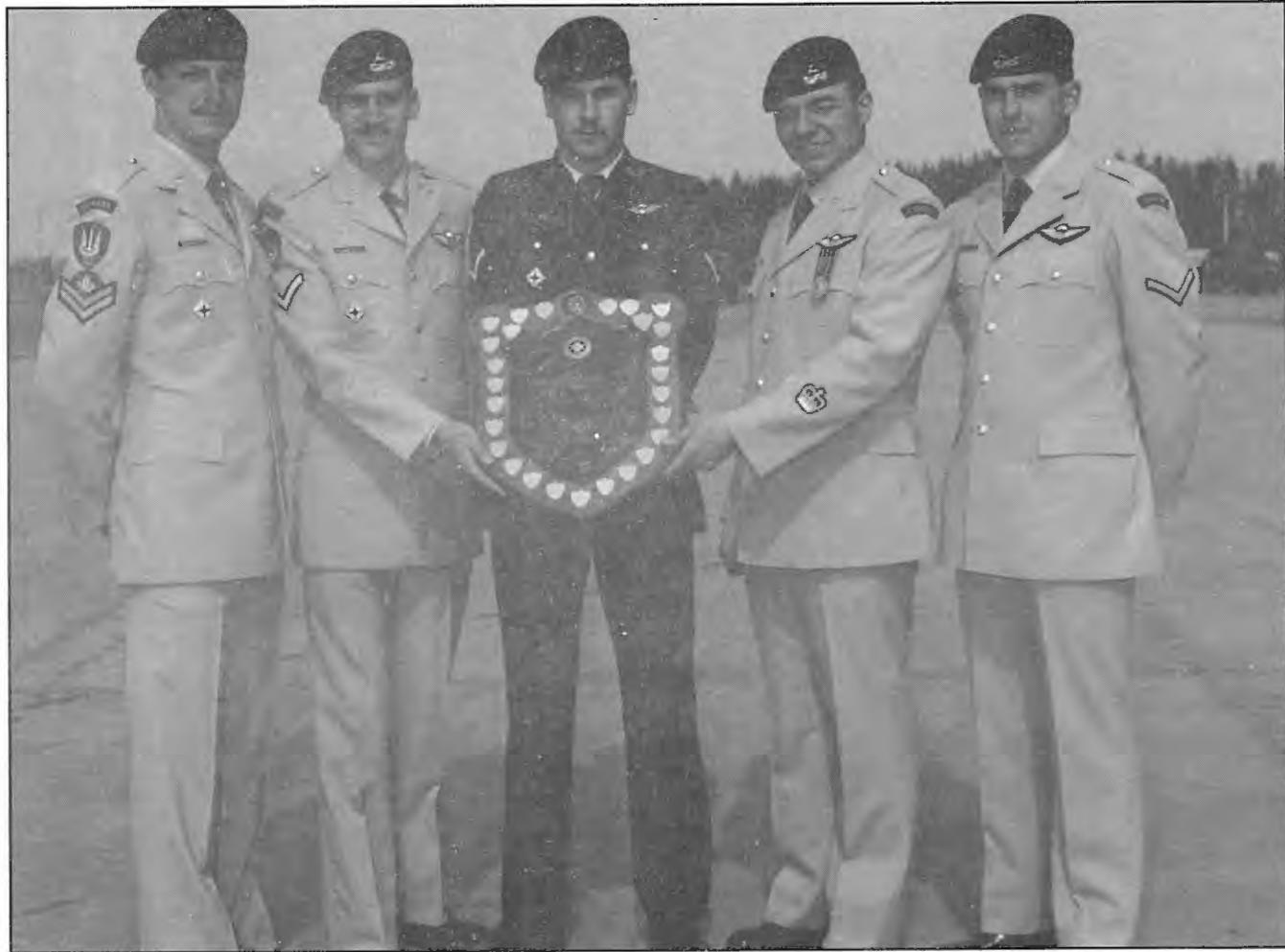
*Discretion is the better part of valour.*



*Developing the proper state of mind is very important when scuba diving.*

*"... and when you get to the Decarie Expressway, turn right onto . . ."*

# MARY OTTER



The "A(id)" Team – MCpl Lingley, Tpr Chamberlain, Tpr Zinck, WO Rousseau and Tpr Thody. (Missing: MCpl Savoie).

Early in the year, the Regiment organized a First Aid Team to compete in the Ontario Military First Aid Competition. This competition, known as the Mary Otter Competition, was to be held on 22 March 1988 in Toronto.

The team came from Recce Sqn and consisted of WO Rousseau, MCpl Savoie (medic), MCpl Lingley, Tpr Chamberlain, Tpr Thody and Tpr Zinck.

Training commenced in February when everyone was requalified Standard First Aid and Basic C.P.R. Once the individual skills were at a high level, the training focussed on team skills, using casualty simulation and mock disasters.

The skill level seen at the Competition was impressive, with several very good teams from throughout Ontario trying to walk away with the coveted Mary Otter Shield. After all of the teams had completed the tests involved, the scores were totalled and the team entered by the Dragoons was judged to be the winner. Along with the Shield the teams were given invitations to the Military National First Aid Competition to be held in late May and the Ontario Open First Aid

Competition to be held on 23 April in Toronto.

At the Ontario Open, over fifty teams competed with the Dragoons finishing second behind the Toronto Fire Department. This was a very respectable showing considering that the Dragoons competed against teams from General Motors and many other large corporations.

The team was tested in Petawawa on 31 May for the Military National First Aid Competition. Everyone had to complete a written test as well as having to react to a simulated disaster which tested practical first aid skills. When the final scores were tabulated, the Dragoons were the winners of the 1988 Military National First Aid Competition.

The team would like to thank Mrs. Rousseau and Tpr Matheson for their patience and superior acting skills as casualties and 2 Field Ambulance for their help in casualty simulation and preparing the team for every competition.

Congratulations are extended from the Regiment to the team for their hard work and outstanding performance.

# RAMSHEAD '88



Preparations for Ram's Head 88 began in earnest immediately following Ex Lightning Strike. The Regiment packed up and headed off to Meaford in the midst of a snow storm. The response from the CFTA Meaford staff to our proposed gun camp was "You're coming to Meaford in February to do what?! The Hussars never had a gun camp in February – the snow is eight feet deep!".

Nevertheless, the RGO and RGWO complete with a 40 foot reefer full of targets and snowmobiles arrived about three days ahead of the Regiment. The target party (Springbok Snowmobile Team?) were led by MCpl Taylor, MCpl Talty and MCpl Parsons. Normally the target party is a thankless job – I wonder why we had so many volunteers for this one?

The classrooms in the main building were turned into testing bays for AFV recognition, 7 point check and the encode decode test. The wash bay at Range Control was converted into an IMR for the troops to hone their skills prior to the battle runs.

WO Shaw, the RGWO, found that the crew commander's appreciation also applies to the snowmobile. "Snowmobiles don't go where cattails grow!"

Meaford being where it is, and it being the month of February, there was a snow storm every day the Regiment was there. One minute, visibility would be good to 3000 metres, next minute it was three metres.

The battle runs were simulated by driving from one firing pad to another with a different target array from each pad. Lt Mike Reinprecht and his troop were hot on the battle runs hitting 18 out of 20 targets on two consecutive runs. Although they were deadly under 2000 m, they required a little remedial training when it came shooting semi-indirect. Some considered putting a barn (broadside, of course) inside the area target.

Although the Cougars demonstrated a little cross country mobility (much to everyone's surprise), nobody bothered to tell our guest Gunner that "a little cross mobility" did not include driving through 10 feet deep snow drifts. It took two APC's and the snowplow to get our "FOO" up to his OP.

The RSM "volunteered" to be an IG for the "A" callsigns during the battle runs. Looking like a green snowman in his bunny suit, he braved the cold and held on for dear life on the back deck during every battle run. Whenever the RSM saw the RGO, he reminded him how cold it was and how old he felt. It is rumoured that he has enough green stamps on the RGO to last him well into retirement.

Despite the wind and snow, all the troops hit a lot of targets and left Meaford with hot trigger fingers.

The last gun camp before Ram's Head was planned for the two weeks prior to the competition.

The whole of the Petawawa range was turned into a replica of the actual competition site. HQ Sqn and RHQ manned all the stands and put A and B Sqns through their paces.



Each Sqn went through the practice run twice and the shooting was great. This was in spite of the heavy snow fall which occurred just two days before the practice. A few favours were called in and 2CER came to the rescue and ploughed the lanes on the battle run.

No gun camp would be complete, however, without a couple of "wingers" going down range.

During one of the runs, Lt "Skeeter" Bassindale tried to dust off the safety vehicle. Capt Haindl, BC B Sqn, not to be outdone, tried to do the same thing to the RSM at the static firing point. Explanations will only be tolerated in the mess!

As the last rounds went down range, both Sqns knew they were ready for their first Ram's Head.

All the work and worry was now reduced to one short run down the range. B Sqn came second in the competition and Lt Mike Reinprecht's troop hit the most main armament targets of any troop in the competition's history. After all the dust had settled, the Dragoons came up second.

Congratulations go out to both Sqns for their effort, determination and professional bearing during both the competition and the long, hard work-up training.



*I suppose it could be worse . . . we could be in the Bahamas with 40°C!*

#### RAM'S HEAD RESULTS

REGT	POINTS	SQN	MAIN ARMAMENT HITS
LDSH	14718	B/RCD	120
RCD	13059	A/LDSH	119
12 RBC	12723	B/LDSH	97



*"Old IG's never die . . ."*

# ***MERRITT CUP***

## ***1988***

Soon after the Regiment returned from Germany, LCol Meating issued the Regimental Training Plan for the next twelve months. One point that stood out in the minds of all of Recce Squadron was Merritt Cup, the National Reconnaissance Competition to be held in Gagetown from 22-24 June. Not too long after this training plan was put out to the masses, the CO suggested to Major Matt Macdonald that it might be "nice" to win this competition.

Training did not begin until mid-April when the Squadron returned from Ex Southern Thrust in Ft Drum, NY. Over the next two and one half months there was the task of training the entire Squadron in preparation for competition day.

The competition was designed to test individual soldier skills, vehicle, patrol, troop and squadron operations as well as the capabilities of SHQ and Adm Troop.

As the Squadron deployed for Gun Camp from 14-22 April, the OC, 2IC Captain Natynczyk, BC Captain Maybee, and SSM Wonderham were considering what had to be covered and when this should be done. Between firing, Squadron personnel found themselves sitting in on classes in AFV recognition, First Aid, sentry duties and challenging procedures. It didn't take anyone long to realize that we were now in Merritt Cup Mode and there was more to basic soldiering than we thought.

A large part of preparation for Merritt was physical training. Over the next ten weeks, the Squadron would be walking, running, carrying and yes, biking almost everywhere they went.

After a week of Adventure Training and a week in garrison, the Squadron deployed on Petcon 88 from 9-27 May, an exercise that was unofficially called "Prep for Merritt".

For three weeks we found ourselves jogging to the shower point, attending classes on AFV recognition, First Aid, sentry duties, challenging procedures, NBCW, communications, pers and crew served weapons, map

and compass using, map symbols, harbours, OP's, route, sector and area recce and numerous other topics.

Training continued in garrison as we now had to establish which topics had not been covered and which topics needed more work.

On 7 and 14 June, HQ Squadron organized Pre-Merritt trials to determine how ready we were for competition day. Then, it was one more week of making final preparations and it was off to Gagetown.

Most of the Squadron flew into Shearwater and were bussed to Gagetown while a few fortunate people took a bus from Petawawa to Gagetown.

The order of march for the competition was 12RBC, RCD, and LdSH starting on 21 June.

As 12RBC returned at 2000 hours, everyone set out to prepare the vehicles for the following morning. By 2300 hours, all vehicles had been cammed, road wheels changed, comms checked and everyone went to ground.

Reveille was 0500 hours and the rush was on as everyone knew that in the next 14 hours, all of our training and preparation would come together.

The vehicles were moved to the start point for



*Sgt Hunt and Tpr Thody on the lookout while moving to the objective during Pre-Merritt training.*

the forced march where we gathered together and prepared for DS inspection. After the inspection was complete, the troops started the 8 km run. Included in the run was a 500 m fireman carry, 1000 m stretcher carry, 8 foot wall and a 1000 m gas mask run. The run had to be completed in 60 minutes and most agreed that it was an hour in their life that they would never forget.

Immediately after the run the troops moved on to the nine stands that had to be completed. While the stands were being completed, Major Macdonald started Battle Procedure and the troop leaders completed tests in map marking and preparing orders for recce tasks.

As soon as the stands were completed, Major Macdonald issued orders to the troop leaders and the exercise began. First, Second and Third Troops were all in observation posts while Support Troop set up three ambushes. SHQ and Adm Troop prepared for any taskings that would arise during the exercise.



*Maj Macdonald holds an O Group during Pre-Merritt training.*

The exercise which was organized by Major Bob Black (who everyone in Recce Squadron would get to know a lot better after posting season) and supported by the 12RBC, was very challenging. Some of the little surprises included were POW's, helicopter contacts and everyone being put in TOPP High. The end of competition day slowly crept up on us as SSM Wonderham moved out to pick up yet another POW.

When 1900 hours finally arrived, everyone moved back to WTP to hand the vehicles over to the Strathconas.

An O Group was held immediately to determine how well we had done; the final announcement would be made the following night.

The 12RBC had organized an officer's Mess Dinner and a party for the troops on 22 June and the Sergeants and Warrant Officers held a party on the 21st.

The Officers Mess Dinner was about four hours old when LCol Griffin, DDARMD quieted everyone down long enough to make the announcement.

Despite the training and effort put forward by everyone in the Squadron, the LdSH emerged as victors, dethroning 12RBC who had previously held the cup.

We finished 3rd place only 300 points behind the Straths.

Everyone felt that we did not lose, but were beaten by slightly better teams as all three Regiments sent well-prepared Squadrons to the competition.



*Tpr's Heissler and Breckenridge practice 84mm drills.*



*Vehicles are cammed in preparation for the testing.*



*Adm Troop completes the forced march during the test.*



*Personnel recover from the forced march. Major Macdonald provides Sgt Clayfield with some moral support.*

# CHANGE OF COMMAND

29 June  
1988



*With the stroke of a pen, Command changes from LCol R.G. Meating . . .*

"The day dawned cold and blustery . . ." Sound like the opening line from an adventure tale? Well, almost. The RCD Change of Command Parade between LCol R.G. Meating and LCol M.W. Appleton was certainly a "chilling" experience!

After weeks of scorching weather with no respite in sight, the decision was made to hold the parade in the early evening in order to beat the heat. Well, as luck would have it, one of the coldest days on record was the order of the day, with a liberal drizzling of rain thrown in for good measure. Who would have guessed the coffee stand would be overcrowded and not the mint julip stand at the Post Parade Reception?

Dragoons being Dragoons, however, the officers and men rose to the challenge. Despite near freezing temperatures, liberal amounts of rain and chilling

winds, they stood steady and won the praise of both the Colonel of the Regiment, BGen G.G. Bell and the Commander, BGen Douglas.

The parade, although the highlight of the week, was certainly not the only entertainment to be had. Mess Dinners attracted their fair share of merry-makers (not to mention heavy heads the next morning). An All Ranks Dance at the Centennial Centre was also a rousing success which permitted everyone to let their hair down and blow off some steam.

After having said our farewells to LCol Meating and his wife Margo, the Regiment got back to work and looks forward to soldiering under the forty-third Commanding Officer of The Royal Canadian Dragoons, LCol M.W. Appleton.



*. . . to LCol M.W. Appleton.*



*LCol Meating receives a Mounted Dragoon from RSM Lynk . . .*



*. . . and his pennon from MCpl Turbide.*



*Rain soaked tunics and trousers tell the tale as BGen Douglas and BGen Bell inspect the Regiment.*



*Threatening skies don't daunt the soldiers of the Dragoons during the march past.*

# LELIEFONTEIN '88





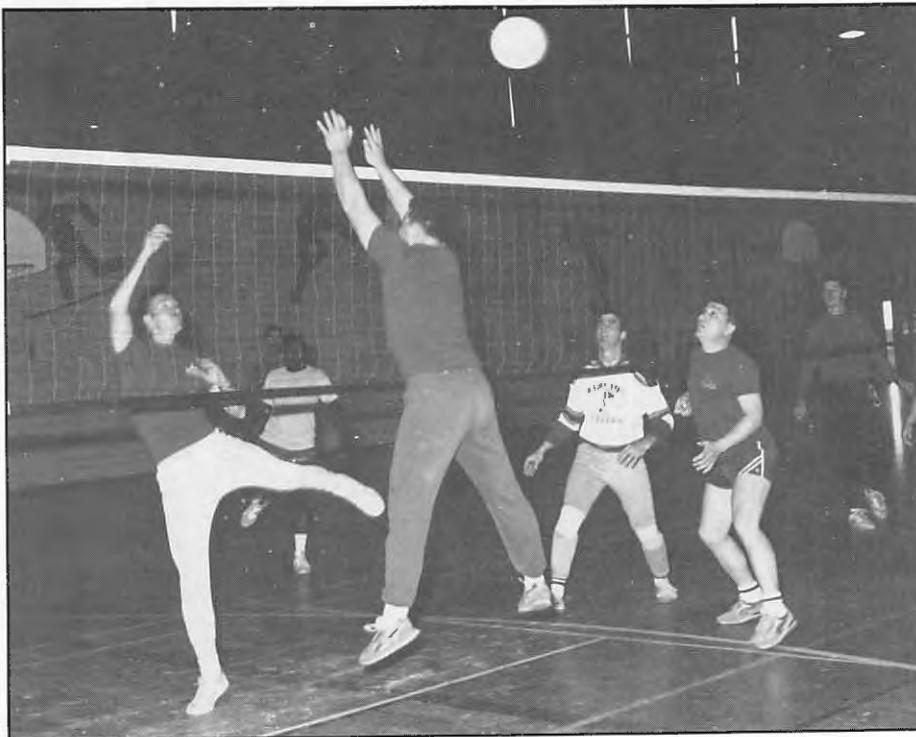
*The Pentathlon was a gruelling event which tested all the competitors to their limits.*

Leliefontein was celebrated in fine style this year with a host of activities ranging from Sports Day, Mess Dinners, a parade, an All Ranks Dance and the annual Volksmarch. The aim of the weekend was to rekindle old friendships and foster unity throughout the Regiment via the social gatherings and friendly competitions. The aim, in this instance, was certainly maintained!

The Sports Day on Friday was a great success and, even though bad weather threatened to dampen spirits, the Regimental good luck held. After all the sweating had ceased and the smoke had cleared, Recce Sqn took home top honours over all. There was room for each Sqn to celebrate its victories, though, as the individual events fell out as follows:

Soccer	– HQ Sqn
Volleyball	– HQ Sqn
Pentathlon	– Recce Sqn
Obstacle Course	– Recce Sqn
Chain of Command Race	– B Sqn
1 Mile Run	– Recce Sqn
4 x 100 Metre Relay	– A Sqn
Tug of War	– A Sqn

There was a remedy in store for the aching muscles and stiff joints which the day of athletic endeavour had produced, though, as the Officers and Senior NCO's and WO's "adjourned" to their respective messes that evening for their mixed dining-in.



*Volleyball was a hard fought round robin in which HQ Sqn edged out A Sqn in the finals.*

*Recce Sqn is awarded the trophy as the overall winner of the Sports Day.*



*The annual grudge match – MCpl McAvoy vs Cpl Lorimer in the 1 mile run.*



*"Look Ma, no hands!" Lt Allin from HQ Sqn breaking the tape on the 100m dash*

*A Sqn wins the Tug-of-War. BMI checks were run on Sgt McGee, Tpr MacLaren, Tpr O'Neil, Tpr MacDonald, MCpl Jones, Sgt Madill, Tpr Kruger, MCpl Hagan, Cpl Brabbins, Capt Atkinson, Cpl McLeod, Tpr Eheler.*





*LCol Appleton leads the Regt in the March Past.*

Saturday witnessed the Regiment participate in a dismounted parade with the Honourary Colonel of the Regiment BGen (Ret'd) GG Bell MBE, CD acting

as the reviewing officer. As is tradition during Leliefontein parades, a number of awards were presented to outstanding members of the Armoured Corps.



*LCol Appleton presents the Col of the Regt's Sword to Lt Rich Moreau.*



*BGen Bell presents the award for the best Sgt in the Armd Corps to WO Saunders.*

Sgt Head of the Armd School in Gagetown received the best MCpl in the Armd Corps while WO Saunders also from CTC was the recipient of the best Sgt in the Armd Corps. In addition to the Armd Corps awards, two Regimental personnel received recognition for their past year's performance. MCpl Legge of C Sqn Gagetown was presented the Eckhardt Memorial Trophy as the best Jr NCO in the Regiment. MCpl Coombes was awarded the ETSM plaque as the most outstanding non-crewman Jr NCO within the Regiment.

Saturday night the Regiment kicked up it's heels at the All Ranks Dance. The party was a roaring success as the Regiment sang and danced the night away. A big thank-you is extended to the "GUNS" for assisting us throughout the evening.

The final chapter of a very successful weekend was the Leliefontein Volksmarch which was held Sunday. This year's course was 11 km and featured the lovely wilderness of the Base area. All those who participated reflected fondly of times spent in Germany where this enjoyable pastime originated. With the culmination of the Volksmarch, so ended a very successful Leliefontein celebration. As in the past, old friendships were rekindled, and new ones were born. It was a great weekend and, "Another Fine Day to be a Dragoon."



BGen Bell presents the award for the best MCpl in the Armd Corps to Sgt Head.



LCol Appleton awards MCpl Coombes the ETSM's Plaque.



RSM Lynk awards MCpl Legge the Eckhardt Memorial Trophy.

# Men's Christmas Dinner



CO Kennedy and RSM Apt cutting the Christmas Turkey.

At 1400 hrs on December 15th, the men of the Royal Canadian Dragoons were marched to Building LI02 for their annual Christmas Dinner. On arrival they were greeted by the Officers and the senior NCOs of the Regiment. In keeping with tradition the youngest soldier, Tpr Kennedy of Recce Sqn and the oldest corporal, Cpl Apt of HQ Sqn were picked to serve as the Acting CO and the Acting RSM respectively for the dinner. Once piped in, grace was said and "LCol" Kennedy and "CWO" Apt cut the Christmas Turkey starting the meal. The officers and senior NCOs served the dinner to the calls of "oh boy", "service is poor" and the old favourite "its hard to get good help these days."

The Acting CO and Acting RSM then finished the dinner with a few words. The Men of The Royal Canadian Dragoons want to send a special thanks to Inspector Bob Norton of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police for paying his debt and buying the

Regiment a Christmas drink. All in all, it was a highly successful Christmas Dinner and a great way of ending a year of hard work and good training.



Tprs Biddiscombe, Malloy, Simon, Glover and Duguay enjoying their meal.

# Regimental Sports



## RCD SPRINGBOKS SSF Inter Unit Hockey Champions 1987-1988

*Front Row: (L to R): Glen Madigan, Mike Rostek, Marc Tremblay, Jim Folwell, Jim Booth and Rodney Bradshaw.*

*Rear Row: (L to R): Fred Heisler, Mike Mitchell, Bob Smallwood, LCol Meating (Coach), Derek McGuigan, Tim Maymye, Bill Ryce, Steve Croisetiere, Roger Cotton, Rick Bolduc, Luc Rousseau (Player, Manager), Steve Beirnes, Alfie Thompson (Helper), Darrell Zinck (Equipment).*

*Missing: Tony Soltys (Equipment), Chuck Casselton (Equipment), Ralph Matheson (Player).*

The RCD Springbok hockey team capped a successful season by taking the league championships in a hard fought and entertaining final series against the Airborne. The Springboks reached the finals by finishing third overall in league play and scraped their way to the finals by defeating teams from 2CER and 2RCHA. Congratulations to the RCD Springboks for a well-deserved triumph.

# The Regimental Biathlon Team

With a team composed of first year biathletes (with the exception of Cpl Jim Lorimer) the Dragoon team did fairly well. Placing third overall in the Special Service Force Championships and seventh in the Force Mobile Command Championships in Valcartier, the team is building for next season. On the Ontario Civilian Circuit, the Springbok team captured the Provincial Relay Championships in Collingwood, Ontario. MCpl McAvoy, Cpl Lorimer, Tpr Smith and Tpr Bryant received the Ontario Championship Scroll from Premier David Peterson.



*Military Patrol Team in Action: (L to R): Capt Milne (5), Tpr Bryant (6), Tpr McDonald (7) and Cpl Lorimer (8).*



**Regimental Biathlon Team:** Front Row: (L to R): Capt Milne (Team Captain and Coach), MCpl McAvoy, Cpl Train, Cpl Lorimer, Tpr Kelly.

Back Row: (L to R): Tpr Bryant, Tpr Scullion, Tpr Smith, Maj Sproule (Adviser), Tpr McDonald and Lt Allin.

## Springbok Volleyball

The reigning Special Service Forces Inter-Unit Volleyball Champions once again had a very impressive season, dominating all opponents in league play. As in 1987, the Springboks were successful in the championship round, capturing the Special Service Force Inter-Unit Volleyball Title for a second straight year. Well done Springboks!

# Springbok Softball

With the arrival of spring the boys of summer swung into action for another exciting season of Special Service Force Inter-Unit Softball. The RCD enjoyed a successful season finishing the regular season with a 10-8 record. In the playoffs the Springboks were led by "Golden Glove" center fielder Bernie Derible and short stop Steve Bassindale. Unfortunately the Springboks come up short losing a close battle with 2CER who went on to capture the overall championship.

A big thanks is extended to all those who supported the team and especially those last minute replacements from F16 and O19!



# Springbok Soccer

The Springbok Soccer team had a good season in 1988 finishing league play in second place with a record of eight wins, five losses and a tie. In the semi-finals the Springboks were eliminated in a hard fought match with 2 Svc Bn. The game was decided in overtime on penalty kicks. The members of the 1988 Springboks Soccer Team were Pete Atkinson, Dave Kitchen, Bob Smallwood, Danny Farr, John Hillier, Clive Peets, Harvey Self, Vic Lyall, Brandon Kew, Dave Boudreau, Don Taylor, Jamie McDonald, Kevin Deroche, Bill Smith, Mike Peever, John Crowdus and Marc Tremblay.

## Springbok Broomball



Front Row: (L to R): Dave Boudreau, Vic Lyall, Dan Farr, Rob Kearney, Bob Talty and Donny Ward.

Rear Row: (L to R): Keith Jones (Coach), John Nickerson, Derek Svendsen, Erich Lamshoef, John Evans, Pete Atkinson, Dan Savoie, Jean Fairbairn (Equipment Manager), "Jumper" Labb   (Medic).

Absent: Ren   Gagn   (Captain), Carrie Teneyck, Mike Reinprecht, Bob O'Quinn.

The Springboks had a good season finishing first in league play with a 5-1 record. The season opener was played against 2 Fd Amb and the players got their first taste of female opponents, and worthy opponents they were.

With many 0 dark 30 practises and ball handling exercises under the watchful eye of the coach, MCpl Keith Jones, many new players, notably Vic Lyall developed into top notch players. We even got Pete Atkinson to finally play in the slot instead of trying to tackle his opponents.

The teams top scorers were René Gagné and Bob Talty. René scored six goals and had seven assists, while Bob had six goals and two assists.

With the semi-finals against 2 Svc Bn starting in the new year, the Springbok Broomball team will be tough to beat and will be major contenders for the Special Service Force Inter-Unit Broomball Championship. We wish you the best of luck in the new year.



# REGIMENTAL ASSOCIATION

We started off the year with fond memories of our participation in the November 6th, 1987 Leliefontein celebrations. We did have a consensus though that the Association functions normally followed at our annual get-togethers, should be held at a different time.

The Board of Directors concurred in an earlier date and a new location, namely Kingston. Planning began immediately and readers of our Association's Newsletter will recall that relevant information was contained in that publication.

The Board of Directors met May 28th, 1988 at Fort Frontenac, Kingston. A number of items, most of which are ongoing, were discussed. Support of the Regiment in projects dealing with procurement of ceremonial uniforms, ways and means to assist in the Regimental Archives etc., remain high on our agenda. Details of the Annual Meeting were also discussed.

Chapter activity will be high-lighted in our Newsletter, but Oromocto, Ottawa, Petawawa and Toronto were centres of RCD Association energetic output. We were sorry to see John Pierce step down in Oromocto, but hopefully when he and his wife return to Ontario he will make his talents available to some lucky Chapter. Ed Dzioba and Jim Kelly masterminded the toings and froings of our comrades in the Petawawa area and a number of social affairs have been held to date with strong participation by the membership and their spouses. The guys in Toronto continue in their good works under the able guidance of Ed Gray, Norm Wood and Al Wade. They are to be congratulated for their part in the Warriors Day Parade and the Remembrance Day parade in Toronto. We were also sorry to hear of Don Morgan's retirement from the chairmanship of the Ottawa Chapter. His leadership, enthusiasm and hard work will be missed.

Regrettably we must also include the names of those who have left our ranks this past year. In particular we lost Bill WHITE of London. Bill was about 94 and our oldest active member. He had intended attending our 1988 outing in Kingston but three days prior to the



*Don Morgan presents the President, Ed Nokes, with a framed photo of LCpl Eckhardt's grave site in Sicily, Oct. 88.*

weekend, passed away peacefully in his sleep. Others who we will remember with fondness are:

Syd CARTER	Bob MEPHAM
Fred GOUGH	Jack PATON
Reg HILLS	Jeep WISEMAN
Frank LITTLE	

The 1988 Annual Meeting and Reunion was a very nice experience. Some 170 attended the social events, Friday evening and Saturday night. Approximately 40 of the ladies did a tour of Kingston on the Saturday (Oct 22nd) in spite of really rotten weather. Unfortunately the weather also prevented the Regiment from sending down a section of the Kit Shop and there were a number of disappointed potential buyers. C'est la vie!

The Annual Meeting was well attended and many of us heard, for the first time, of the formation of 1st Canadian Division. MGEN Jack Dangerfield gave us a very good briefing which was much appreciated. It was also of value for us to hear from LCOL Mike Appleton just what was what with the Regiment and the proposed move to Cyprus next year. All in all we had a very interesting, educational and worthwhile time. Thanks to all who made it so!

We danced the night away to the music of the Barry Dale Band, who really knew just what music our generation loved. It was a very nice dinner dance from all points of view. The raffle organized by Don Morgan made a large number of people happy. Could one ask for anything more?

In closing I must say that 1988 was a good time for the Association. We face a number of challenges in 1989 dealing with our future. There will be new hands on the helm and all of us look forward to the 90's under the positive, proactive leadership of the new Board of Directors. A very happy and healthy New Year.



*Part of the group attending the Friday night reception in the Ontario Room of the Ambassador Hotel, Oct. 88.*

# GUILD DONORS 1988



The Regiment wishes to acknowledge the generous contributions to the Ceremonial Uniform Fund made by the following. The list represents those contributors using the pay allotment scheme from 10 Oct 87 to 30 Aug 88 whereas cash contributors cover the period 1 Oct 87 to 30 Sep 88.

LCol	RE	Acreman	Mr	WG	Fawcet	Lt	JMR	Moreau
Col	CJ	Addy	BGen (ret)	JP	Gauthier	Maj	JK	Moyer
B Sqn RCD			BGen (ret)	PVB	Grieve	WO	WM	Mulholland
Mr		Baker	Maj	BD	Hale	Lt	TS	Newton
Col (ret)	MH	Bateman	Maj	AK	Hamilton	BGen	GJ	O'Connor
Mr		Boyd	LCol	DA	Henderson	Mr	N	Perrault
Mrs		Boyd	Maj	BE	Hook	Maj	JW	Richmond
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Maj	RF	Berge	MWO	GD	Ingram	Mr	W	Ryson
Maj	WN	Brough	Mr	HD	Lapointe	MWO	WH	Smith
Capt	JPS	Carboneau	WO	TF	LeBlanc	Lt	JD	Sparling
BGen (ret)	PHC	Carew	Mr	VE	Lindsay	Lt	JK	Stewart
Maj (ret)	EP	Carey	Capt	JPG	MacIntyre	Mr	HW	Thomas
Mrs	M	Carter	Maj	GR	MacLean	Mr	J	Thomson
Capt	MP	Cessford	Capt	SR	Maddison	LCol	KL	Thornton
Capt	W	Childs	Capt	RJ	Marriott	Sgt	JR	Tozer
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Mr	CE	Cox	Mr	A	Matheson	Mrs	H	Ussher
Col	DM	Dean	Capt	KM	McKay	Mr	HE	Watson
Mr	DM	Doran	BGen	C	Milner	Mr	HW	White
						Mr	G	Woppard

# A LOOK BACK

Each year in the Springbok we take a look back in the past to see where the Regiment was and what we were doing.

Where were you ten years ago in 1978? The Regiment was in Lahr and the rent-a-tank was being replaced with Canada's own C1's. C Squadron, Germany was resurrected to look after the nineteen tanks for the flyover squadron from Gagetown.

Where were you twenty-five years ago in 1963? The Regiment was in Gagetown and, if the Regimental History is to be believed, it was a quiet year and not much happened. One distinction which has survived in the records, however, is that the Regiment succeeded in achieving the highest re-engagement rate in the army, an undeniable measure of the Regiment's morale.



*The white flag with a black arrow represents a machine gun – a "product" of the Great Depression.*

Where were you fifty years ago in 1938? The Regiment was stationed with Squadrons in Toronto and St Jean but a good portion of the year was spent

training in "SUNNY" Borden and "MUDDY" Meaford. At this time we still had horses, a number of "recce" cars and two armoured cars..

*L-R: Cpl's Taylor, King and Churchward, SSgt Fellows (RCE), Cpl's Church, Gilmore and Fletcher. Churchwood went on to win the MM at Moreuil Wood and became RSM in 1925.*



Where were you seventy-five years ago in 1913? The Regiment was stationed with Squadrons in Toronto and St Jean. The Regiment was in hot water with the Governor-General, the Duke of Connaught, because we had adopted the Springbok as our hat-badge, instead of the Royal Cypher. After a lot of tap dancing by the Regiment, King George, our Honorary

Colonel granted us royal approval to have two badges.

Since nobody was likely around one hundred years ago in 1888, I'll tell you where the Regiment was! We were still known as the Royal School of Cavalry and we had just obtained permanent accommodation, within 300 yards of the Citadel, much to the chagrin of the R22eR.

# RCD Officers' Mess - 14 December 1988



*Front Row: (L to R): Maj Hall, Maj Hutchings, Maj Sproule, LCol Appleton, Maj Black, Maj Richards, Maj Gallant ("visiting dignitary").*

*Middle Row: (L to R): Lt Bassindale, Capt Ferron, Capt Kitchen, Capt Ward, Lt Reinprecht, Lt Moreau, Capt Bourgeois, Capt Hamelin, Lt Cotton, Capt Milne, Capt Smallwood, Capt Self.*

*Rear Row. (L to R): Capt Atkins, Lt McCoy, Lt Kearney, Capt Patch, Capt Thomas, Lt Angel, Lt Mitchell, Capt Petit, 2Lt King, Lt Lamshoef, Capt Jackson, Lt Loftus, Capt Derible, Capt Natynczyk.*

*Missing: Capt Allin, Capt Atkinson, Capt Earnshaw, Capt Haindl, Lt Kew.*

# RCD WOs' and Sergeants' Mess - 14 December 1988



**Front Row: (L to R):** MWO Wonderham, MWO Mokler, MWO Riggs, CWO Lynk, MWO Prendergast, MWO Ingram, MWO Breton.

**2nd Row: (L to R):** Sgt Desrochers, Sgt Miville, Sgt Ripley, Sgt Dubé, WO Breton, WO Dion, WO Pratt, WO Austin, PO2 Lavis, WO Ripley, PO2 Savoie, WO Lagace, Sgt McGee, WO Gosse, Sgt Nickerson, WO Skelding, WO Raymond, WO O'Connor, WO Sloan, WO Lambert, WO Hills, Sgt Smith, WO Hopkins, WO Cucinelli, WO McLaughlin, Sgt Wiebe, Sgt Ferguson, WO Shaw, Sgt Hollywood, WO Kuhn, WO Meighan.

**3rd Row: (L to R):** Sgt Maillet, Sgt O'Mara, Sgt Dymond, Sgt Newman, Sgt Reid, Sgt McLellan, Sgt Heisler, Sgt Cable, Sgt Lamer, Sgt Burke, Sgt O'Quinn.

**4th Row: (L to R):** Sgt Drescher, Sgt Lawrence, Sgt Livingstone, Sgt Green, Sgt Decker, Sgt Tozer, Sgt Hunt, Sgt McNeil, Sgt Franklin, Sgt Horne, Sgt Arvisais, Sgt Madill, Sgt Schapp, Sgt Mills.

# KUDOS



This year the Dragoons had one individual and one team who distinguished themselves nationally, thereby bringing credit to themselves and the Regiment.

Colonel D.M. Dean, CD, the thirty-ninth Commanding Officer of the Dragoons has been reknowned over the years within the Regiment for his prowess on the judo matts.

This year, Colonel Dean's achievements in the

sport won him national acclaim as he was inducted into the Canadian Forces Sports Hall of Fame for achieving the Fourth Dan Black Belt.

The Regimental First Aid Team from Recce Sqn draped itself in glory by winning the Ontario Military First Aid Competition and Military National First Aid Competition. The competition was exceedingly stiff, but this only served to make the victory sweeter. A very well done to the team and their trainers.



*The 1988 National First Aid Champions.*

# REGIMENTAL COMMANDING OFFICERS

J.F. Turnbull	21 Dec 1883 – 1 Nov 1895	H.A. Phillips, OBE, CD	9 Apr 1946 – 9 Jan 1949
F.L. Lenard, CB	2 Nov 1895 – 31 Mar 1907	G.J.H. Wattsford, CD	10 Jan 1949 – 21 May 1951
U.A.S Williams, CMG, ADC	1 Apr 1902 – 30 Nov 1912	J.F. Mercer, CD	22 May 1951 – 6 Dec 1953
C.N. Nelles	1 Dec 1912 – 14 Mar 1917	E.A.C. Amy,	
C.T. Van Straubenzee, MID	15 Mar 1917 – 9 Oct 1918	DSO, OBE, MC, CD	7 Dec 1953 – 6 Sep 1956
T.R.G. Newcomen, MC	11 Oct 1918 – 2 Apr 1919	A.L. Brady, DSO, CD	7 Sep 1956 – 8 Mar 1959
W.H. Bell, DSO, MID	3 Apr 1919 – 17 Jun 1919	J.S. Unher, CD	9 Mar 1959 – 18 Jan 1961
A. McMillan, DSO	18 Jun 1919 – 2 Feb 1920	M.H. Bateman, CD	19 Jan 1961 – 8 Aug 1963
F. Gilman, DSO	3 Feb 1920 – 30 Sep 1924	P.V.B. Grieve, CD	9 Aug 1963 – 2 Aug 1965
W.H. Bell, DSO, MID	1 Oct 1924 – 2 Jun 1927	W.T.E. Finan, CD	3 Aug 1965 – 21 Aug 1967
D.B. Bowie, DSO (Major)	3 Jun 1927 – 17 Nov 1931	C.G. Kitchen, CD	22 Aug 1967 – 3 Aug 1969
R.S. Timmir, DSO	18 Nov 1931 – 31 Oct 1936	R.D. Gron, CD	4 Aug 1969 – 14 Jun 1970
E.L. Caldwell, MID	1 Nov 1936 – 30 Jun 1941	P.H.L. Carew, CD	15 Jun 1970 – 9 Jul 1972
R.Moss, MC (Major)	1 Jul 1941 – 13 Jul 1941	R.J. Brown, CD	10 Jul 1972 – 11 Jul 1974
J.H. Larocque, CD (Major)	14 Jul 1941 – 1 Aug 1941	J.K. Dangerfield, CD	12 Jul 1974 – 10 Jul 1976
W.E. Gillespie	2 Aug 1941 – 12 Feb 1942	C. Milner, CD	11 Jul 1976 – 11 Jul 1978
J.D.B Smith, CBE, DSO, CD	13 Feb 1941 – 22 Jun 1942	G.J. O'Connor, CD	12 Jul 1978 – 26 Jun 1980
J.F. Bingham, OBE, MID	29 Jun 1942 – 13 Feb 1944	C.J. Addy, CD	27 Jun 1980 – 25 Jun 1982
K.D. Landell, DSO	14 Feb 1944 – 5 Nov 1945	D.M. Dean, CD	28 Jun 1982 – 22 Jun 1984
J.P. Gauthier, DSO, CD(Major)	6 Nov 1945 – 12 Dec 1945	D.J. Graham, CD	22 Jun 1984 – 25 Jun 1986
J.E. Fuger (Major)	13 Dec 1945 – 6 Apr 1946	R.G. Meating, CD	25 Jun 1986 – 29 Jun 1988
		M.W. Appleton, CD	29 Jun 1988

# REGIMENTAL SERGEANTS – MAJOR

W. Dingley	1898 – 1899	C.W. Smith	1949 – 1952
J.C. Page	1900 – 1906	A. Price, MBE	1952 – 1954
J. Widgery	1907 – 1912	C.W. Smith	1954 – 1957
I.F. Lee	1912 – 1923	P.A. Forgrave, DMC, CD	1957 – 1962
T. Leblond	1913 – 1914	J. Getty, CD	1962 – 1964
E. A. Steer	1914 – 1915	J. Thomson, CD	1964 – 1966
G.F. Berteau	1915	L.A. Milberry, CD	1966 – 1968
T.A. James	1915 – 1917	F.J. Harnois	1968
C.W. Smith (Toronto)	1918 – 1925	E.A. Brown, MMM, CD	1968 – 1970
G.W. Dore (St. John)	1918 – 1925	H.S. Graham, CD	1970 – 1971
G.D. Churchward, MM	1925 – 1929	E.A. Brown, MMM, CD	1971 – 1973
H.E. Karcher, MM	1929 – 1931	C.W. Yeomann, CD	1973 – 1975
F. Wardell, DCM	1931 – 1934	G.R. Bennett, CD	1975 – 1978
J. McLean, MM.	1935 – 1939	D.A. Beattie, CD	1978 – 1980
E.H. Manning, MBE, MSM	1940 – 1941	A.L. MacAdam, MMM, CD	1980 – 1982
J.D. Copeland, MBE, MSM	1941	R.J. Marriott, CD	1982 – 1985
L. Nichol	1941 – 1942	G.E. Martin, CD	1985 – 1987
L.F. Russel, MBE	1942 – 1948	R.J. Lynk, CD	1987

**REGIMENTAL HEADQUARTERS**

LCpl	Appleton	MW	MCpl	Robitaille	JGBD
Maj	Sproule	CJN	MCpl	St Denis	RL
Capt	Ferron	JR	MCpl	Taylor	DB
Capt	Milne	JG	Cpl	Ward	CB
Capt	Natynczyk	WJ	Cpl	Allan	SF
Lt	Allin	DJ	Cpl	Anderson	KW
Lt	Derible	BD	Cpl	Bartlett	BW
Lt	Kearney	RE	Cpl	Boudreau	DR
CWO	Lynk	RJ	Cpl	Brabbins	SA
MWO	Horgan	TJ	Cpl	Evans	AT
WO	Hills	CH	Cpl	Herbst	IG
WO	Lagace	NE	Cpl	Ingebritson	TG
WO	Lambert	GW	Cpl	McLeod	JR
WO	Meighan	GD	Cpl	Moreau	JAL
WO	O'Connor	TJ	Cpl	Novodvorsky	JL
Sgt	Jessome	P	Cpl	Vanderkooy	N
Sgt	Lavis	JE	Cpl	Ward	DM
Sgt	Schaap	JF	Tpr	Adam	JJA
MCpl	Berry	PE	Tpr	Brown	IC
MCpl	Brown	RD	Tpr	Cann	DW
MCpl	Farr	JAD	Tpr	Clabby	P
MCpl	McAvoy	JI	Tpr	Clark	PJ
MCpl	McConnell	DE	Tpr	Cyr	JP
MCpl	Talty	RJAR	Tpr	Davidson	RT
Cpl	Abbott	PM	Tpr	Diertens	DC
Cpl	Cox	R	Tpr	Dignard	MJ
Cpl	Hayes	RD	Tpr	Eheler	DJ
Cpl	Kent	SM	Tpr	Forbes	BS
Cpl	Lacoursiere	DMJ	Tpr	Gagnon	AA
Cpl	Lamont	GK	Tpr	Goodall	GT
Cpl	McDonald	CM	Tpr	Hatfield	CG
Cpl	O'Neill	KM	Tpr	Hewitt	SP
Cpl	Remus	WW	Tpr	Jesso	GJ
Cpl	Smith	DP	Tpr	Kreller	AG
Cpl	Talbot	DE	Pte	Kruger	CB
Cpl	Tremblay	JGM	Tpr	Lafleur	MP
Cpl	Williams	GA	Tpr	Lyall	VP
Cpl	Woermke	JED	Tpr	MacDonald	WG
Tpr	Banasik	MJ	Tpr	MacLaren	DA
Tpr	Bench	DW	Tpr	Mahar	AN
Tpr	Bryant	RE	Tpr	Martin	WT
Tpr	Downie	EM	Tpr	McDonald	JP
Pte	Driscoll	KW	Tpr	McKenna	DJ
Tpr	Joudrey	DJ	Tpr	Mitchell	A
Pte	Schnurr	TG	Tpr	O'Neil	GP
Tpr	Sison	AB	Tpr	Parker	RJ
Tpr	Stadnyk	HF	Tpr	Pellizzari	AJ
Tpr	Symons	WJ	Tpr	Pothier	RW
Tpr	Wakeling	SR	Tpr	Potocnik	SS

**A SQUADRON**

Maj	Richards	RS	Tpr	Riddell	PA
Capt	Atkinson	PJ	Tpr	Rodd	DB
Capt	Earnshaw	AJ	Tpr	Stacey	PB
Lt	Bassindale	SH	Tpr	Svendsen	DN
Lt	Kew	B	Tpr	Tetz	BK
Lt	Lamshoef	EA	Tpr	Thibert	AG
MWO	Mokler	BR	Tpr	Thomas	RJ
WO	Courtney	DD	Tpr	Walker	DM
WO	Raymond	NL	Tpr	Warren	JF
WO	Sloan	BE			
Sgt	Burke	WJ			
Sgt	Cable	RE			
Sgt	Duke	CR	Capt	Kitchen	DW
Sgt	Franklin	GS	Lt	Angel	HA
Sgt	Heisler	FA	Lt	Mitchell	MR
Sgt	Madill	FA	Lt	Reinprecht	MD
Sgt	McGee	DE	2Lt	King	JE
Sgt	Mills	JA	MWO	Ingram	GD
MCpl	Bolduc	RJE	WO	Brideau	JGR
MCpl	Busch	GJ	WO	Cucinelli	G
MCpl	Carew	RJ	WO	Hopkins	RA
MCpl	Dale	WC	WO	Valley	FT
MCpl	Duchesne	JR	WO	Wionzek	MJR
MCpl	Fairbairn	DC	Sgt	Bevvan	BE
MCpl	Gagne	R	Sgt	Horne	DM
MCpl	Hagan	PM	Sgt	Hunt	JF
MCpl	Jones	KR	Sgt	Lamer	JLC
MCpl	Lampert	KD	Sgt	McLellan	BL
MCpl	McTaggart	IT	Sgt	Miville	JM
MCpl	Pringle	JG	Sgt	O'Quinn	RC

**B SQUADRON**

Maj	Hutchings	RM
Capt	Haindl	PT
Capt	Kitchen	DW
Lt	Angel	HA
Lt	Mitchell	MR
Lt	Reinprecht	MD
2Lt	King	JE
WO	Ingram	GD
WO	Brideau	JGR
WO	Cucinelli	G
WO	Hopkins	RA
WO	Valley	FT
WO	Wionzek	MJR
Sgt	Bevvan	BE
Sgt	Horne	DM
Sgt	Hunt	JF
Sgt	Lamer	JLC
Sgt	McLellan	BL
Sgt	Miville	JM
Sgt	O'Quinn	RC

Sgt	Stearns	DJ	Sgt	DesRochers	ROJ
Sgt	Tozer	JR	Sgt	Dube	JP
MCpl	Billinger	MP	Sgt	Dymond	BC
MCpl	Bourgoin	JGP	Sgt	Ferguson	GD
MCpl	Carberry	A	Sgt	Green	AJ
MCpl	Connors	RG	Sgt	McNeil	JL
MCpl	Coombes	LW	Sgt	Nickerson	JG
MCpl	Dorais	JY	Sgt	Reid	AJ
MCpl	Dube	JPA	Sgt	Smith	BG
MCpl	Eldridge	AJ	Sgt	Wiebe	LE
MCpl	Hartley	RW	MCpl	Brown	RK
MCpl	Manny	JN	MCpl	Cameron	BA
MCpl	McAuley	TG	MCpl	Dobbin	KW
MCpl	Nunez	JA	MCpl	Dobbin	MH
MCpl	Rodrigue	JMC	MCpl	Downey	DG
MCpl	Saitel	LE	MCpl	Edward	BG
MCpl	Wilmink	GA	MCpl	Evans	JR
Cpl	Belfry	RR	MCpl	Gascon	DRJ
Cpl	Casselman	CR	MCpl	Girard	JM
Cpl	Crook	JE	MCpl	Godden	JB
Cpl	Dissmann	SEH	MCpl	Kell	DR
Cpl	Coucette	KE	MCpl	Lingley	BW
Cpl	Graham	KW	MCpl	Robbins	RW
Cpl	Hearn	GWA	MCpl	Savoie	JPD
Cpl	Lessard	MJ	MCpl	Train	JS
Cpl	Lucy	MD	MCpl	Welton	LR
Cpl	Peever	MJ	MCpl	Young	DS
Cpl	Pierce	LS	Cpl	Booth	JJJ
Cpl	Plante	JR	Cpl	Bould	RJ
Cpl	Vardy	WT	Cpl	Campbell	JD
Cpl	Waddleton	RJ	Cpl	Christensen	LE
Tpr	Aucoin	RW	Cpl	Clark	DR
Tpr	Bailey	K	Cpl	Crowdis	JW
Tpr	Bamberger	DB	Cpl	Hart	JM
Tpr	Barlow	RS	Cpl	Hutchison	MW
Tpr	Boulanger	IA	Cpl	Logan	JE
Tpr	Canning	KG	Cpl	McKenzie	DA
Tpr	Comeau	JM	Cpl	Otis	JGC
Tpr	Cowan	SP	Cpl	Petitpas	BR
Tpr	Crowe	PE	Cpl	Preston	MP
Tpr	Elliston	SR	Cpl	Rodden	ME
Tpr	Evans	JT	Cpl	Ryce	WP
Tpr	Finlay	DR	Cpl	Teneyck	KA
Tpr	Grimard	JMH	Tpr	Arsenault	JG
Tpr	Gwiazda	BC	Tpr	Batten	DC
Tpr	Hall	TJ	Tpr	Biddiscombe	RR
Tpr	Hanrahan	DG	Tpr	Bloemen	RK
Tpr	Jinks	DP	Tpr	Boon	LK
Tpr	Jones	TD	Tpr	Borkovic	R
Tpr	Lalonde	DD	Tpr	Bradshaw	RB
Tpr	Leblanc	DP	Tpr	Breckenridge	RQ
Tpr	Maculloch	SR	Tpr	Brown	KW
Tpr	Marentette	JR	Tpr	Buckle	AC
Tpr	McGregor	JI	Tpr	Burns	SGA
Tpr	Messer	RT	Tpr	Byrne	WG
Tpr	Ovens	RR	Tpr	Cameron	FRJ
Tpr	Pierce	RL	Tpr	Cartwright	GD
Tpr	Rathwell	WR	Tpr	Chamberlain	JP
Tpr	Ruiters	RG	Tpr	Crue	DR
Tpr	Smith	CS	Tpr	Cunningham	JT
Tpr	Smith	WL	Tpr	Czech	TH
Tpr	Solmine	A	Tpr	Delamoth	DJ
Tpr	Stein	RT	Tpr	Desroches	JAK
Tpr	Swartman	SM	Tpr	Duguay	DJ
Tpr	Tasnadi	S	Tpr	Dunster	WAR
Tpr	Vaillancourt	GJ	Tpr	Faubert	DS
Tpr	Vizino	SAG	Tpr	Fenton	DM
Tpr	Wells	TW	Tpr	Foster	JL
Tpr	Wilson	RF	Tpr	Gibson	SC

#### RECCE SQUADRON

Maj	Black	RA	Tpr	Glover	DB
Capt	Atkins	JA	Tpr	Gratton	JM
Capt	Smallwood	RH	Tpr	Guthrie	WJ
Lt	Cotton	RT	Tpr	Hamel	WR
Lt	McCoy	DA	Tpr	Hand	SE
2Lt	Loftus	WM	Tpr	Heissler	G
MWO	Wonderham	PJ	Tpr	Johnson	DC
WO	Austin	FE	Tpr	Karpik	JA
WO	Beaton	LC	Tpr	Kelly	DP
WO	Gosse	AG	Tpr	Kennedy	RC
WO	Skelding	TL	Tpr	Laferrie	RJ
Sgt	Binzig	WH	Tpr	Lahaise	RF
Sgt	Decker	MW	Tpr	Lapham	LS
			Tpr	Malin	GR
			Tpr	Malloy	CR

Tpr	Matheson	JR	Cpl	Baltzer	KJ
Tpr	Mathewson	JC	Cpl	Beirnes	SD
Tpr	McArthur	CS	Cpl	Bissonnette	TC
Tpr	Miller	GJ	Cpl	Campbell	GB
Tpr	Millham	AT	Cpl	Dechamp	CD
Tpr	Moser	DB	Cpl	Dow	JW
Tpr	Musikov	BR	Cpl	Evans	CJ
Tpr	Nikal	BA	Cpl	Glassford	TR
Tpr	Paintednose	DJ	Cpl	Goudreau	JRM
Tpr	Pichie	KTJ	Cpl	Gour	JPM
Sig	Purcha	WE	Cpl	Heinrichberg	FJ
Tpr	Puzianoski	KA	Cpl	Lorimer	JD
Tpr	Roach	MA	Cpl	MacQueen	RM
Tpr	Thody	KG	Cpl	Malette	JBR
Tpr	Train	DJ	Cpl	Martin	GE
Tpr	Vache	JA	Cpl	McIntosh	BC
Tpr	Walsh	WJ	Cpl	Newman	PD
Tpr	Webb	JD	Cpl	Pegelo	KG
Tpr	White	JA	Cpl	Pring	RM
Tpr	Whitty	BP	Cpl	Rees	JD
Pte	Wyatt	CG	Cpl	Savuie	JRMD
Tpr	Young	RS	Cpl	Scott	AC
Tpr	Zinck	DW	Cpl	Slater	JJ
Tpr	Zulyniak	GJ	Cpl	Stranges	JA

#### HEADQUARTERS SQUADRON

Maj	Hall	GR	Cpl	Thibodeau	JA
Capt	Bourgeois	JJ	Cpl	Tripp	LA
Capt	Hamelin	JRD	Cpl	Wain	LD
Capt	Patch	AC	Cpl	Warburton	KRG
Capt	Petit	JPJM	Cpl	Wdowiak	P
Capt	Self	RH	Pte	Webber	RR
Capt	Thomas	LE	Pte	Beauvais	BMJ
Capt	Ward	MJ	Pte	Belliveau	RL
Lt	Moreau	JR	Tpr	Bergeron	MJ
MWO	Breton	JG	Tpr	Cairns	SD
MWO	Pouliot	JD	Tpr	Cook	MW
MWO	Prendergast	BW	Tpr	Croisetiere	JCS
MWO	Riggs	JW	Pte	Easterbrook	WC
WO	Dion	JR	Tpr	Everitt	BK
WO	Kuhn	HDC	Pte	Feehey	KB
WO	Pratt	DR	Pte	Fischer	RJ
WO	Shaw	TW	Pte	Gould	RG
Sgt	Arvisais	JBF	Pte	Graveline	LM
Sgt	Davis	KA	Tpr	Hague	PR
Sgt	Drescher	DG	Tpr	Haynes	JA
Sgt	Grady	PL	Tpr	Herron	KH
Sgt	Hollywood	VK	Pte	Hillier	JG
Sgt	Lawrence	PG	Tpr	Hopping	MD
Sgt	Livingstone	RG	Pte	Huff	RH
Sgt	Maillet	GE	Pte	Hughes	E
Sgt	Muise	JM	Pte	Jones	JRS
Sgt	Newman	RJ	Tpr	Klemm	GK
Sgt	Omara	JD	Pte	Kavoie	LP
Sgt	Ouellet	BJ	Pte	LeBlanc	JJB
Sgt	Ripley	DR	Tpr	Lee	SK
Sgt	Savoie	GP	Pte	Levesque	FP
Sgt	Theberge	JR	Tpr	Love	RE
Sgt	Tipping	NL	Tpr	Luomala	AE
MCpl	Allan	DK	Tpr	McNeill	PV
MCpl	Bellier	ALA	Tpr	Miller	DR
MCpl	Dallaire	RG	Tpr	Mills	SD
MCpl	Dowswell	HG	Pte	Morris	GA
MCpl	Kennedy	MJ	Pte	Morrison	SJ
MCpl	Labbe	JPMD	Pte	Page	SW
MCpl	Lamond	RD	Tpr	Pettigrew	D
MCpl	Ledwinka	FN	Pte	Prentis	WD
MCpl	McNutt	JS	Tpr	Pynn	GW
MCpl	McTaggart	JR	Pte	Roberts	BA
MCpl	Nolin	JR	Pte	Scribner	DA
MCpl	Pahl	SE	Tpr	Smith	GJ
MCpl	Payne	RE	Tpr	Soltys	AM
MCpl	Porter	DD	Tpr	Spicer	RS
MCpl	Preston	GR	Pte	Stacey	DB
MCpl	Smalley	PR	Pte	Thompson	DE
MCpl	Smith	CH	Tpr	Vann	DA
MCpl	Stacey	WH	Tpr	Vinkle	AJ
MCpl	Thompson	AP		Ward	AM
MCpl	Wadden	KM			
MCpl	Apt	DE			

### Extra Regimentally Employed Dragoons

MGen Dangerfield	JK	1 Cdn Div Kingston	Capt	Datchko	TM	Armour School
BGen Milner	C	CLFCSC Kingston	Capt	Doucet	JLA	CMR St Jean
BGen O'Connor	GJ	NDHQ	Capt	Fletcher	CM	FMC HQ
BGen Troughton	KG	NDHQ	Capt	Gerrow	JW	CFB Gagetown
Col Addy	CJ	CFE Lahr	Capt	Holton	RJ	CFB Chilliwack
Col Brown	AM	CFB Suffield	Capt	Kampman	MA	CFB Dundurn
Col Lake	HBE	Shape HQ Brunsuum	Capt	LeClair	MD	RMC Kingston
LCol Acreman	RE	CFB Gagetown	Capt	Leduc	WC	SSF HQ Petawawa
LCol Carruthers	RF	NDHQ	Capt	MacDougal	GK	CFB Halifax
LCol Graham	DJ	CLFCSC Kingston	Capt	Maddison	TT	CFB Suffield
LCol Henderson	DA	NDHQ	Capt	Merriott	SR	CFB Borden
LCol Hug	GG	NDHQ	Capt	Marshall	RJ	CFB Gagetown
LCol Meating	RG	HQ 4 CMBG Lahr	Capt	Martin	TI	NDHQ
LCol Price	JJ	FMC HQ	Capt	Martin	GE	Armour School
LCol Prosser	DW	CFB Toronto	Capt	Maybee	SA	Armour School
LCol Thornton	KL	Armour School	Capt	McKay	LP	CFB Gagetown
LCol Watson	CH	NDHQ	Capt	McKenzie	KM	CDLS(L)
Maj Ashton	ND	CFB Toronto	Capt	McNorgan	JR	CLFCSC Kingston
Maj Barsauskas	LK	1 Cdn Div Kingston	Capt	Milner	MR	NDHQ
Maj Berge	RFJ	CFB Chilliwack	Capt	Newton	DJ	Armour School
Maj Burnie	TJI	NDHQ	Capt	Nixon	WNA	CFB Toronto
Maj Caldwell	RH	CFB Ottawa	Capt	Oldham	MA	CFB Petawawa
Maj Delvillano	LG	NDHQ	Capt	Ostler	SC	Armour School
Maj Dixon	BR	NRHQ Yellowknife	Capt	Philcox	JR	Armour School
Maj Forsyth	BJ	NDHQ	Capt	Richard	PA	NDHQ
Maj Gallant	JJ	FMC HQ	Capt	Rostek	JLM	CFB Gagetown
Maj Glauninger	CJ	FMC HQ	Capt	Russell	MA	Armour School
Maj Gorman	WL	Staff College India	Capt	Sangster	RB	Armour School
Maj Hale	BD	CFB St Jean	Capt	Splane	GL	NDHQ
Maj Hamilton	AK	CFB Trenton	Capt	Taylor	RW	CFRS Cornwallis
Maj Hillier	RJ	Staff College Toronto	Capt	Wells	RC	NDHQ
Maj Hook	BE	CFB Borden	Capt	Young	PJ	Armour School
Maj Klein	LO	NDHQ	Lt	Follwell	SJ	Armour School
Maj Latham	ECH	Armour School	CWO	Ballard	JP	CFB St Jean
Maj Macdonald	MG	Staff College Toronto	CWO	MacAdams	SR	Armour School
Maj MacLean	GR	CFB Gagetown	CWO	Mercer	AI	Armour School
Maj Moffat	SE	Centag HQ Heidelberg	CWO	Urbanowsky	SP	CFB Toronto
Maj Moyer	JK	Staff College Toronto	MWO	Fougere	TE	Armour School
Maj Olafson	OJD	CDLS (W)	MWO	Hutchison	JAR	CFB Moncton
Maj Pyne	TF	RSS Vancouver	MWO	Martin	HW	CFB Kingston
Maj Richmond	JW	CFB Chilliwack	MWO	Sparling	JL	CFB Borden
Maj Round	RJ	NDHQ	WO	Alchorn	JDS	NDHQ
Maj Ryder-Burbridge	RI	NDHQ	WO	Arsenault	FA	Armour School
Maj Seeley	KRT	NDHQ	WO	Braye	DJA	CFB Gagetown
Maj Wilkinson	DC	NDHQ	WO	Brownridge	RG	RSS St Thomas
Capt Alcock	MR	NDHQ	WO	Butler	RB	Armour School
Capt Ashford	JM	Armour School	WO	Chalmers	RE	CFB Suffield
Capt Barr	JM	CFB Chilliwack	WO	Cleveland	RF	CFB Cornwallis
Capt Bech	UC	CFB Chilliwack	WO	Cloake	WG	CFS Debert
Capt Carbonneau	JPS	NDHQ	WO	Hannan	JA	Armour School
Capt Carswell	MK	Armour School	WO	Leblanc	CP	Armour School
Capt Cessford	MP	Armour School	WO	Mann	TF	RSS Windsor
Capt Childs	W	Armour School	WO	Mantel	SC	CFB Cornwallis
					AR	RSS London

WO	McPherson	RN	RSS Winnipeg	MCpl	Comeau	LJF	RSS Moncton
WO	Munger	JER	Armour School	MCpl	Donovan	JA	Armour School
WO	Nolte	HW	CFB Borden	MCpl	Heppell	JD	CFB Toronto
WO	Paquin	PD	CFB Toronto	MCpl	Lehman	MS	Armour School
WO	Perron	JM	Armour School	MCpl	Macrae	CH	Armour School
WO	Rousseau	JAL	Armour School	MCpl	Martin	NW	Armour School
WO	Saunders	WR	Armour School	MCpl	Meek	DK	CFB Kingston
WO	Slaught	DB	RSS Sarnia	MCpl	Rooney	JG	CFB Suffield
WO	Smith	AB	Armour School	MCpl	Schultz	LM	CFB Ottawa
Sgt	Arsenault	JL	Armour School	MCpl	Spencer	RD	Armour School
Sgt	Best	LJ	CFB Gagetown	MCpl	Turbide	JLP	Armour School
Sgt	Betts	NW	444 THS Lahr	MCpl	Wallace	GW	Armour School
Sgt	Boutilier	PE	Armour School	MCpl	White	DT	CFB Cornwallis
Sgt	Breau	RA	Armour School	Cpl	Bruning	DB	Armour School
Sgt	Chapman	WC	CFB Kingston	Cpl	Carriere	JEJ	Armour School
Sgt	Clayfield	KR	CFB Kingston	Cpl	Dailaire	TA	Armour School
Sgt	Dedrick	FE	Armour School	Cpl	Dumas	AS	Armour School
Sgt	Gillet	WD	CFB Borden	Cpl	Gernsbeck	GA	CFB Suffield
Sgt	Guerin	GP	Armour School	Cpl	Gignac	J	Armour School
Sgt	Hamer	JH	CFB Kingston	Cpl	Gorman	JL	Armour School
Sgt	Hammel	KHH	CFRC Toronto	Cpl	Kelly	MJ	Armour School
Sgt	Harkies	HR	CFB Borden	Cpl	Laporte	JWLY	Armour School
Sgt	Harris	RP	CFB Borden	Cpl	Laskovic	K	Armour School
Sgt	Hauschmidt	HH	RSS Prairie	Cpl	Livingstone		Armour School
Sgt	Hendsbee	JH	Armour School	Cpl	Lumley	DM	Armour School
Sgt	Kendall	JA	Armour School	Cpl	OKeefe	TAJ	Armour School
Sgt	Locke	GR	Armour School	Cpl	Pevie	HL	Armour School
Sgt	Lowerison	DR	Armour School	Cpl	Poole	MH	CFB Ottawa
Sgt	Marchand	GT	R22eR Btl Sch	Cpl	Pringle	WA	Armour School
Sgt	McCarthy	JD	CFRC St Johns NFLD	Cpl	Racine	SJR	Armour School
Sgt	Meredith	VD	NDHQ	Cpl	Reed	NJ	Armour School
Sgt	Moreau	J	444 THS Lahr	Cpl	Reid	GJ	Armour School
Sgt	Naylor	PG	403 THS Gagetown	Cpl	Robinson	TJ	Armour School
Sgt	ORR	RJ	Armour School	Cpl	Savoie	AJ	Armour School
Sgt	Overink	H	444 THS Lahr	Cpl	Shaw		CFB Ottawa
Sgt	Rice	GB	CFB Suffield	Cpl	Shay	TE	CFB Ottawa
Sgt	Rice	JV	Armour School	Cpl	Sheid	DCJ	Armour School
Sgt	Ritchie	RW	Armour School	Cpl	Smith	JPS	CFB Ottawa
Sgt	Sanderson	DR	Armour School	Cpl	Syroid	DS	CFB Gagetown
Sgt	Slack	AJ	Armour School	Cpl	Thellier	AGJ	Armour School
Sgt	Smith	DJ	Armour School	Tpr	Boutilier	SL	Armour School
Sgt	Tarrant	KF	CFRC St Johns NFLD	Tpr	Cormier	JC	Armour School
Sgt	Thomas	JE	Armour School	Tpr	Gallant	AD	Armour School
Sgt	Votour	DC	Armour School	Tpr	Keeping	CM	Armour School
Sgt	Watts	RC	Armour School	Tpr	McIntyre	BRC	Armour School
Sgt	Whitehall	RD	Armour School	Tpr	Scullion	SW	Armour School
Sgt	Wright	AD	CFB Edmonton	Tpr	Spittal	AW	Armour School
MCpl	Barr	JM	Armour School	Tpr	Stan	BI	Armour School
MCpl	Bezeau	JM	Armour School	Tpr	Tinnion	SP	Armour School
MCpl	Canuel	JR	CFB Borden	Tpr	Twaddle	JP	CFB St Jean
MCpl	Chattington	RT	St Thomas				

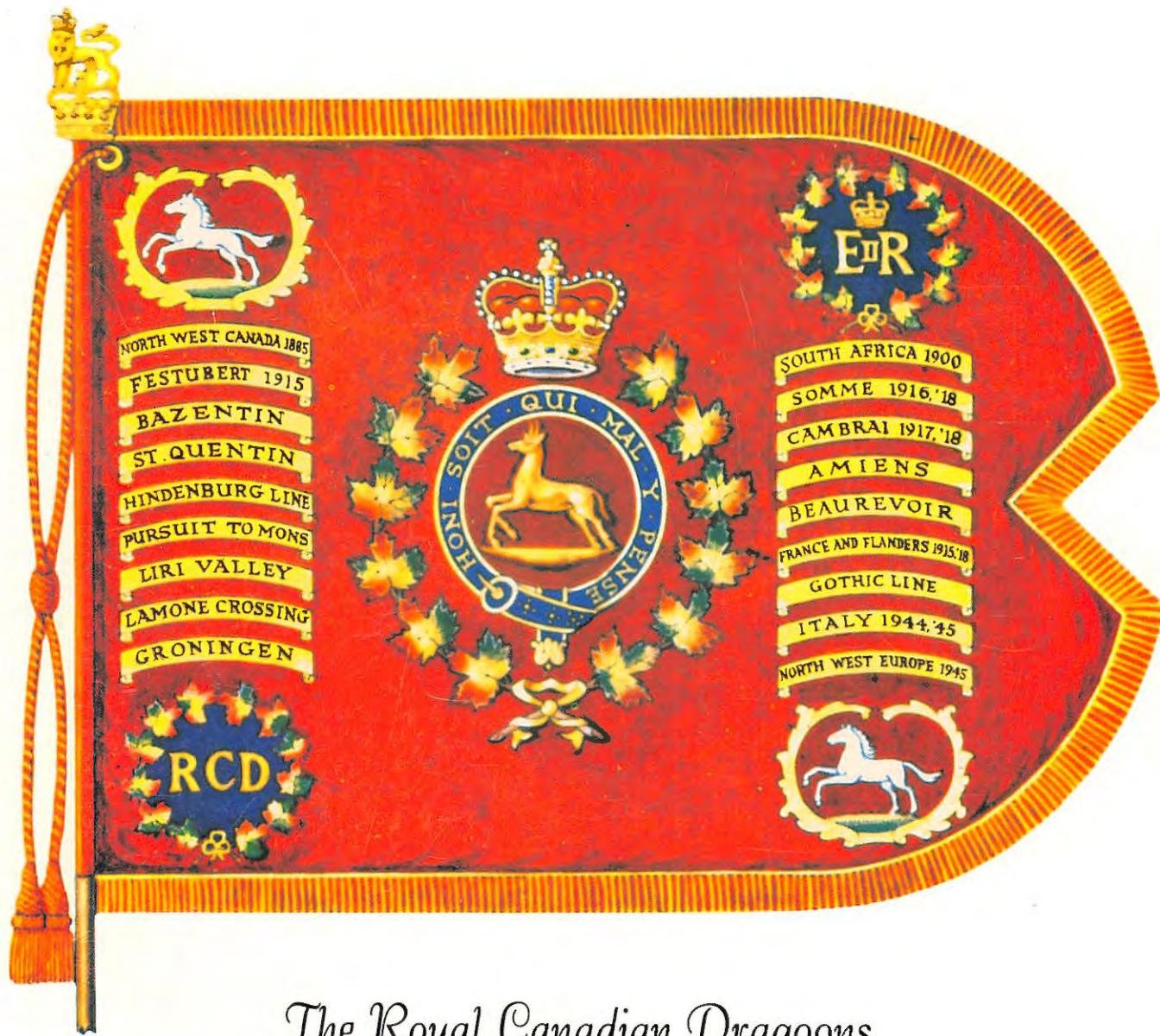




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